

OVATION
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**MEAN
GIRLS**

HIGH SCHOOL VERSION

Director's Note

Welcome to North Shore High! Thank you for joining us today for Ovation Theatre Company's production of *Mean Girls: High School Version*.

The *Mean Girls* story is everything you think it is, until it's not...

This classic tale, inspired by the iconic film and reimagined for the stage, resonates with each of us on different levels. It serves as a reminder that the struggles of youth are universal, as we've all experienced the complexities of fitting in, dealing with friendship dynamics, and navigating the challenging paths of adolescence. It tackles the tough issues of conformity, peer pressure, bullying, gossip, rumors, and consequences. Through humor and heart, *Mean Girls* explores these themes, in an effort to enlighten, and inspire empathy and understanding.

Although offered options, I did not shy away from the strong language and content in the script. I don't believe you should tackle this script if you are going to water it down. For the cast presenting this story, it is reality; some characters may be exaggerated, but the issues are real — they struggle with them every day. I made a commitment to them to present this story as authentically as possible and, in turn, they brought the characters to life with passion and heart. Their vulnerability inspires me.

A heartfelt thank you to the dedicated cast, crew, and creative team that I have had the privilege of taking this journey with. Your commitment is incredible, and your talent is undeniable. I am so proud of you!

To our unbelievably supportive families, thank you for volunteering and sharing your time and talents with us.

And finally, thank YOU, our incredible audience! Your support, laughter and applause have been the driving force behind our performances. It is your presence in the theater that makes each show unforgettable, and we are grateful for the opportunity to share this story with you. Your enthusiasm and feedback motivate and inspire us to give our best every single time.

In the end, *Mean Girls* is not just a story about high school drama; it reflects the universal themes of friendship, self-discovery, and the consequences of our actions. It encourages us to confront the issues of bullying, self-identity, and the value of true friendship. As you leave the theater today, we hope that these themes resonate with you and inspire reflection and discussion.

Thank you again for joining us!
With gratitude,
Meg

OVATION THEATRE COMPANY

proudly presents

MEAN GIRLS

HIGH SCHOOL VERSION

NOVEMBER 10-11, 2023

Book by
Tina Fey

Music by
Jeff Richmond

Lyrics by
Nell Benjamin

Based on the Paramount Pictures film *Mean Girls*

Original Broadway Production Produced by
Lorne Michaels Stuart Thompson Sonia Friedman
Paramount Pictures Marisa Sechrest Ars Nova Entertainment Berling Productions
Steve Burke Scott M. Dellman Roy Furman Robert Greenblatt Ruth Hendel
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James L. Nederlander Christine Schwarzman Universal Theatrical Group

Executive Producer **David Turner**

MEAN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL VERSION

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All photography and videography is strictly prohibited. Please
turn your cell phones completely off.**

Cast

CADY Lily Gennetti
JANIS Lorelei Stahl
DAMIAN Jonathan Uber
REGINA Hanna Carroll
GRETCHEN Michaela Horan
KAREN Kelly Egan
MRS. GEORGE / MS. NORBURY Madison Johnson
MR. DUVALL Edward True
AARON Greer Danzey
KEVIN G Ryan Kaplan
COACH CARR / SHANE OMAN Colton Weidner

FEATURED DANCERS Ava Amaro
Madison Campbell
Emma Cassier
Charlotte Dugan
Jennah Gunawan
Jillian Mastroberte
Janet Sesay
Elisa Thomas

ENSEMBLE Mabel Backman
Avery Barcelos
Carter Blanco
Meg Carroll
Lylah Chaffee
Aliyah Howard
Cooper Jean
Malia Smith
Quinn Snyder
Lizzie Sosa
Lily Tessier
Dylan Torre-Moody

Production Team

Director	Meg Gore
Music Director	Kevin Fisher
Choreographer	Miranda Winward
Stage Manager	Abby Parnell
Assistant Music Director	Ella Burroughs
Fight Choreographer	Katy Gore
Running Crew	Maddy Buchanan
Set Design	Meg Gore
Sound Design	Mark Beland
Lighting Design	Matt Morin
Costume & Props Coordinator	Meg Gore
Prop Paintings	Lorelei Stahl
Hospitality Coordinator	Shawna Carroll
House Manager	Dan Gore
Assistant House Manager	Avenley Allen
Poster & Program Design	Tim Gore
Business Manager	Dan Gore



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Musical Numbers

“Mean”	Janis, Damian
“It Roars”	Cady, Ensemble
“It Roars (Reprise)”	Cady, Ensemble
“Where Do You Belong?”	Damian, Janis, Cady, Ensemble
“Meet the Plastics”	Damian, Janis, Regina, Gretchen, Karen, Cady
“Stupid With Love”	Cady
“Apex Predator”	Janis, Cady
“What’s Wrong With Me?”	Gretchen
“October 3rd”	Aaron, Cady
“Sexy”	Karen, Ensemble
“Someone Gets Hurt”	Regina, Ensemble
“Revenge Party”	Janis, Damian, Cady, Ensemble
“Fearless”	Gretchen, Karen, Cady, Ensemble

INTERMISSION

“Mean (Reprise)”	Janis, Damian
“Stop!”	Damian, Karen, Ensemble
“What’s Wrong With Me? (Reprise)”	Gretchen, Mrs. George
“Whose House Is This?”	Kevin G, Ensemble
“More Is Better”	Cady, Aaron
“Someone Gets Hurt (Reprise)”	Janis, Damian
“World Burn”	Regina, Ensemble
“I’d Rather Be Me”	Janis, Ensemble
“How Regina Died”	Cady
“Do This Thing”	Cady, Ms. Norbury, Kevin G, Mathletes
“I See Stars”	Cady, Company

The Cast

AVA AMARO | FEATURED DANCER

Ava is 16 years old and a junior at Londonderry High School. This is her 9th show with Ovation and she is so excited to perform! Outside of theater, she enjoys spending time with her friends and family. Ava is so grateful to be able to perform with this amazing cast and she hopes you enjoy the show!



MABEL BACKMAN | ENSEMBLE

Mabel, shiny rock fanatic, cheese enthusiast, and hugger extraordinaire, enjoys wearing fuzzy socks, baking cookies for sick friends, and reading. She does math quizzes in pen because she likes to live dangerously, and her second favorite color is green. If she could meet anyone, she'd meet Sam Cooke because she wants to sing backup for him. She's frolicked around a stage twelve times before and is delighted to be in another Ovation production!



AVERY BARCELOS | ENSEMBLE

Avery is currently a junior in high school and enjoys crocheting, singing and baking in her free time. This is her sixth production with Ovation and hopes you enjoy the show!



CARTER BLANCO | ENSEMBLE

Carter is currently 13 years old and an eighth grader at Londonderry Middle School. Aside from performing, he likes reading and playing piano. Carter has enjoyed participating in other Ovation productions such as *Elf Jr.* and *Newsies*, and is so excited to now be a part of this incredible show. Carter is very grateful for this opportunity and can't wait for you to experience the magic of *Mean Girls*.



MADISON CAMPBELL | FEATURED DANCER

Madison is excited to be in Ovation's production of *Mean Girls*. Theatre has been a part of her life since she was eight years old. Madison has done over 20 productions with several theatre companies across the state. She is a senior at Pinkerton Academy and loves to play guitar, surf, and code in her free time. She hopes you enjoy the show!



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HANNA CARROLL | REGINA

Hanna is thrilled to be in another show with Ovation. She was previously Annabeth in *The Lightning Thief* and Audrey in *Descendants*. She also does basketball and tennis. Enjoy the show!



MEG CARROLL | ENSEMBLE

Meg is ecstatic to be in another Ovation production. The first time she started theater was with the Gores when she was in fourth grade. Meg's first show was *Annie*, and she played Pepper. Ever since her first show with the Gores, Meg has fallen in love with theater. This experience with Ovation in *Mean Girls* has been an amazing experience. Meg hopes you enjoy the show!



EMMA CASSIER | FEATURED DANCER

Emma is a senior at Pinkerton and so excited to be in her first Ovation show! She will be attending High Point University next year studying Biology. She hopes you enjoy the show!



LYLAH CHAFFEE | ENSEMBLE

Lylah Chaffee is thrilled to be in Ovation Theatre Company's production of *Mean Girls!* Lylah is no stranger to the stage and has most recently been seen as Linda in *The Wedding Singer* (KCT). When she's not performing, Lylah loves to hang out with friends, crochet, and play with her cats, Clara and Britney, and her fish, Fishgerald.



GREER DANZEY | AARON

This is Greer Danzey's second show with Ovation Theatre Company and he is so pumped to be back. He played Romeo in *Newsies* over the summer here at Ovation. He hopes you enjoy the show and love it so much you come back for another because more is always better!

The Cast

CHARLOTTE DUGAN | FEATURED DANCER

Charlotte Dugan is a sophomore at Pinkerton Academy. She loves singing and is a part of her school's select choir. Charlotte has done many shows previously but this is her first show with Ovation. She is so excited for you to see the show!!



KELLY EGAN | KAREN

Kelly Egan is beyond excited to be playing Karen Smith in her first Ovation production! She is a senior at Londonderry High School where she is a part of the drama club, school newspaper, and select choir. She has been doing theatre for seven years; some of her favorite roles being Maria in *The Sound of Music*, Julia Sullivan in *The Wedding Singer*, and Marcy Park in *...Spelling Bee*. She wants to thank her castmates and the production team for making this experience so enjoyable for her, and hopes you enjoy the show!



LILY GENNETTI | CADY

Lily is a 15 year old sophomore at Pinkerton Academy and she is so excited to perform in her first lead role and her first Ovation show! She wants to thank her amazing directors for getting her to where she is today, and she would also like to thank the cast; they are incredibly supportive. She hopes you notice the hard work everyone has put in and enjoy the show!



JENNAH GUNAWAN | FEATURED DANCER

Jannah is so excited to be a part of Ovation's *Mean Girls*. Jannah is a 9th grader and is homeschooled. Jannah has been in past shows in many different theatres, like *Descendants* (Maleficent), *Charlotte's Web* (Wilbur), and *Into The Woods* (Little Red). Outside of theatre, she loves ice skating and DIY. She would like to thank the Ovation cast and staff for giving her this exciting experience.



MICHAELA HORAN | GRETCHEN

Michaela Horan has been doing shows with Ovation since their first show, *Les Mis*. Outside of theater, she is the author of the *Rolling Hills* series, and loves writing and performing her music. She hopes you enjoy the show!



The Cast



ALIYAH HOWARD | ENSEMBLE

The nicest member of the cast is Aliyah Howard, a newcomer without a mean bone in her body! Apart from singing and dancing nicely in the ensemble, she loves to be kind, do nice things, and care for others! She knows you don't "mean" to enjoy *Mean Girls*, but being the nice girl she is she wants you have a good time! Be nice and enjoy the show!



COOPER JEAN | ENSEMBLE

Cooper is excited to be part of this awesome production of *Mean Girls*! This is his 10th performance with Ovation Theatre Company and he describes the cast and crew as a second family! Cooper is currently an 8th grader and enjoys Hip Hop, Gaming and hanging out with his friends. He hopes you enjoy the show!



MADI JOHNSON | MRS. GEORGE / MS. NORBURY

Madi Johnson is a senior at Windham High School and is so excited to be playing the roles of Ms. Norbury and Mrs. George in this production of *Mean Girls*! You might have seen her in past shows as Wednesday in *The Addams Family* and Grace Fryer in *Radium Girls*. She hopes you enjoy the show!



RYAN KAPLAN | KEVIN G.

Ryan is thrilled to be working with Ovation once again! He has recently appeared onstage in roles such as Oedipus (*Oedipus Rex*), Pepper (*Mamma Mia*), and Grover (*The Lightning Thief*). Ryan is also the Founding Artistic Director of Rise Theatre Group, where he has produced twelve shows over the past three years. He is proud to work with Ovation as a Student Resident Artist. Enjoy the show!



JILLIAN MASTROBERTE | FEATURED DANCER

Jillian is excited to be back with Ovation after performing in *Newsies*! Jillian graduated in 2023 from Windham High School where she has done many productions acting, but also found her love for choreography, which she has gratefully gotten to showcase with Ovation (*Frozen Jr.*), S.A.L.T. Theatricals (*Carrie* and *The Addams Family*), and WHS (*Oklahoma* and *Mamma Mia*). She plans to attend school for dance and film in 2024! She thanks her loved ones for supporting her!

The Cast

JANET SESAY | FEATURED DANCER

Janet is so excited to be in her first show ever with Ovation! She is a senior at MST High School. She also has been dancing at Southern New Hampshire Dance Theatre for the past 7 years. She hopes you enjoy the show!



MALIA SMITH | ENSEMBLE

Malia is very excited for you to see Ovation's production of *Mean Girls*. This is Malia's 21st theatre experience and her 14th Ovation production. Her dedication to the show goes far beyond writing the Mandarin word for bucket on her hand! She hopes you enjoy the show!



QUINN SNYDER | ENSEMBLE

Quinn is so excited to be part of another Ovation production! Most recently he appeared as Marlin in *Finding Nemo Jr.* Along with acting, Quinn loves sports, school, and hanging out with friends and family. He is thrilled to be included in this amazing cast and crew!! He hopes you enjoy the show!!!



LIZZIE SOSA | ENSEMBLE

Lizzie is extremely excited for everyone to see this production! She is a junior at Londonderry High School. When not on stage, Lizzie enjoys playing tennis, skiing, stage managing, and hanging out with her friends. She is so thankful to Meg, Kevin, Miranda, Ella and Abby for all of their hard work. Enjoy the show!



LORELEI STAHL | JANIS

Lorelei is thrilled to be playing the role of Janis in her second production with Ovation Theatre Company. Currently a senior at Pinkerton Academy, Lorelei is involved with not only the music department, as chorus office president, but also Pinkerton Players where she has been a part of seven productions, both on and off stage. Some of her favorite roles include Laura Wingfield in *The Glass Menagerie* and Lily in *Anastasia*. Lorelei also works as a part time music teacher and loves working with her students.



The Cast



LILY TESSIER | ENSEMBLE

Lily cannot wait to see you all tonight! Lily will be playing in the ensemble tonight and can be seen with the show's JV jocks, Kenyan animals, and more! This is her second show with Ovation and she loves every single person in the cast and all the friends she's made along the way! She hopes you enjoy the show!



ELISA THOMAS | FEATURED DANCER

Currently a proud 8th grader (13 y.o.) at Londonderry Middle School, Elisa is excited to join the cast of *Mean Girls* as a Featured Dancer. Elisa has been dancing since the age of two and has performed with many local theater companies in a multitude of roles since the age of seven. Elisa wants to thank Ovation Theatre Company and all those involved in making this production a success, her talented peers performing alongside her on stage, and her family for supporting her passion.



DYLAN TORRE-MOODY | ENSEMBLE

Dylan is in the 8th grade at Londonderry Middle School. Outside of theater, she's on the softball field playing for Granite State Elite. She would like to give a special thank you to her music teacher Mellissa who helped her throughout the audition process and helped her overall growth as a performer. Also a special thank you to the creative team who made this show possible! Dylan hopes you enjoy the show!



EDWARD TRUE | MR. DUVALL

Edward True is so happy to be playing the role of Mr. Duvall in this production of *Mean Girls*. In the past, he has played Mr. George in *Mary Poppins* and Wiesel in *Newsies*. He is excited to join the Ovation cast on *Mean Girls*. Outside of theater, he likes to hang out with friends and dance to whatever song he decides to. He can not wait to see all his friends and family at his show :)



JONATHAN UBER | DAMIAN

Jonathan is a senior at Pinkerton Academy and has grown up doing theater at Hampstead Middle School and here at Ovation. This is Jonathan's 12th show working with Ovation and he hopes that number keeps growing! A little slice like Jonathan has truly answered the question "Where do you belong?" by doing what he loves here at Ovation! He has loved getting to play Damian in this show and hopes you enjoy!

The Cast

COLTON WEIDNER | COACH CARR / SHANE OMAN

Colton Weidner is super excited to be making his Ovation debut in *Mean Girls!* He has worked very hard over the past few months and is very excited for everyone to see it! Some of his past roles include Sebastian in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* and Ken Da Le Maize in *The Musical Comedy Murders Of 1940!* Colton would like to thank you for coming and hopes that you enjoy the show!



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May 2024

Rock of Ages

It's the tail end of the big, bad 1980s in Hollywood, and the party has been raging hard. Aqua Net, Lycra and Heavy Metal flow freely at one of the Sunset Strip's last legendary venues.

But the rock 'n' roll fairy tale is about to end when German developers sweep into town with plans to turn the fabled Strip into just another capitalist strip mall. Can Drew, Sherri and the gang save the strip – and themselves – before it's too late?

Only the music of hit bands Styx, Journey, Bon Jovi, Whitesnake and more can hold the answer.

Auditions in March!

June – August 2024

Summer Camps

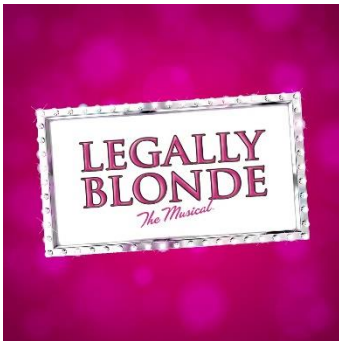
June 24-28, 2024: Devising Camp | Participants work in small groups to devise their own original show.

June 24-28, 2024: A Year with Frog and Toad Kids | Friends celebrate the differences that make them unique and special.

July 8-12, 2024: The Jungle Book Kids | Join Mowgli's adventure through the jungle based on the Disney classic.

July 29 – August 9, 2024: Willy Wonka Jr. | Enigmatic candy manufacturer Willy Wonka stages a contest by hiding golden tickets in five of his scrumptious candy bars.

Registration opens December 1!



July 19-20, 2023

Legally Blonde

Elle Woods appears to have it all. Her life is turned upside down when her boyfriend Warner dumps her so he can attend Harvard Law. Determined to get him back, Elle ingeniously charms her way into the prestigious law school. While there, she struggles with peers, professors and her ex. With the support of some new friends, though, Elle quickly realizes her potential and sets out to prove herself to the world.

Audition info coming soon!

Fall musical announcement coming in August!

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