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MY FAIR LADY

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Music FREDERICK LOEWE

Adapted from George Bernard Shaw's play and Gabriel Pascal's motion picture Pygmalion

ANETTE BARRIOS-TORRES JONATHAN GRUNERT

with

JOHN ADKISON MAEGHIN MUELLER

NATHAN HALTIWANGER MICHAEL HEGARTY BECKY SAUNDERS

LAUREN EMILY ALAGNA NICK BERKE EVAN BERTRAM NICHOLAS CARROLL SHANNON CONBOY
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MICHELLE LEMON DEREK LUSCUTOFF ASHTON NORRIS JESSICA ORDAZ RAFA PEPÉN KUMARI SMALL
CHARLIE TINGEN GILL VALIGHN-SPENCER JOHN VISO GERRI WEAGRAFE MARY BETH WEBBER

Scenic Design
MICHAEL YEARGAN

Costume Design

CATHERINE ZUBER

Lighting Design
DONALD HOLDER

Sound Design MARC SALZBERG BETH LAKE

Associate Set Designer
MIKIKO SUZUKI MACADAMS

Associate Costume Designer PATRICK BEVILACQUA

Hair and Wig Design TOM WATSON

Musical Arrangements
ROBERT RUSSELL BENNETT
& PHIL LANG

Dance Arrangements TRUDE RITTMAN Music Supervision TED SPERLING

Music Coordinator TALITHA FEHR

New Orchestrations
JOSH CLAYTON
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DAVID ANDREWS ROGERS

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Directed by BARTLETT SHER

CAST (in order of appearance)

ELIZA DOOLITTLE Anette Barrios-Torres FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL Nathan Haltiwanger MRS. EYNSFORD-HILL Mary Beth Webber MS. CLARA EYNSFORD-HILL Kumari Small COLONEL PICKERING John Adkison SELSEY MAN Christopher Isolano PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS Jonathan Grunert **HOXTON MAN** Rvaan Farhadi THE LOVERLY QUARTET Ryaan Farhadi, Jackson Hurt, Gill Vaughn-Spencer, and Charlie Tingen FRANK, THE BARTENDER Andrew Fehrenbacher HARRY Nicholas Carroll JAMIE Ryaan Farhadi ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE Michael Hegarty FLOWER GIRL Kelly Gleason MRS. PEARCE Maeghin Mueller MRS. HOPKINS Jessica Ordaz HIGGINS' BUTLERS Jackson Hurt and Charlie Tingen HIGGINS' MAIDS Lauren Emily Alagna, Evan Bertram, Kelly Gleason, and Jessica Ordaz MRS. HIGGINS **Becky Saunders CHARLES** John Viso **STEWARD** Jackson Hurt LORD BOXINGTON Charlie Tingen LADY BOXINGTON Michelle Lemon CONSTABLES Rafa Pepén and Gill Vaughn-Spencer PROFESSOR ZOLTAN KARPATHY Christopher Isolano **FOOTMEN** Nicholas Carroll and Andrew Fehrenbacher QUEEN OF TRANSYLVANIA Gerri Weagraff MRS. HIGGINS' SERVANT John Viso

ENSEMBLE

Lauren Emily Alagna, Evan Bertram, Nicholas Carroll, Shannon Conboy, Derek Luscutoff, Ryaan Farhadi, Andrew Fehrenbacher, Kelly Gleason, Jackson Hurt, Michelle Lemon, Jessica Ordaz, Rafa Pepén, Kumari Small, Charlie Tingen, Gill Vaughn-Spencer, John Viso, Gerri Weagraff, and Mary Beth Webber

SWINGS

Nick Berke, Shannon Conboy, Derek Luscutoff, and Ashton Norris

DANCE CAPTAIN/FIGHT CAPTAIN

Nick Berke

ASSISTANT DANCE CAPTAIN

Kelly Gleason

UNDERSTUDIES

Understudies never substitute for listed performers unless a specific announcement is made at the time of the performance.

ELIZA DOOLITTLE
FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL
COLONEL PICKERING
PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS
ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE
MRS. PEARCE
MRS. HIGGINS

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Jessica Ordaz and Gerri Weagraff
Gerri Weagraff and Mary Beth Webber



The use of any recording device, either audio or video, and the taking of photographs, either with or without flash, is strictly prohibited.

SCENES AND MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

OVERTURE Orchestra

SCENE 1: OUTSIDE THE ROYAL OPERA HOUSE, COVENT GARDEN

WHY CAN'T THE ENGLISH? Higgins
WOULDN'T IT BE LOVERLY? Eliza and the Loverly Quartet

SCENE 2: TENEMENT SECTION, TOTTENHAM COURT ROAD

WITH A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK Doolittle, Harry, and Jamie

SCENE 3: HIGGINS' STUDY

I'M AN ORDINARY MAN Higgins

SCENE 4: TENEMENT SECTION, TOTTENHAM COURT ROAD

WITH A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK (REPRISE)

Doolittle and the company

SCENE 5: HIGGINS' STUDY

JUST YOU WAIT Eliza

THE SERVANTS' CHORUS Mrs. Pearce and Higgins' Butlers and Maids THE RAIN IN SPAIN Higgins, Eliza, and Pickering

I COULD HAVE DANCED ALL NIGHT

Eliza, Mrs. Pearce, and Higgins' Maids

SCENE 6: OUTSIDE A CLUB TENT, ASCOT

ASCOT GAVOTTE Company

SCENE 7: OUTSIDE HIGGINS' HOUSE

ON THE STREET WHERE YOU LIVE Freddy

SCENE 8: HIGGINS' STUDY

ACT II

SCENE 1: THE BALLROOM OF THE EMBASSY

THE EMBASSY WALTZ Orchestra

SCENE 2: HIGGINS' STUDY

YOU DID IT Higgins, Pickering, Mrs. Pearce, and Higgins' Servants
JUST YOU WAIT (reprise)

Eliza

SCENE 3: OUTSIDE HIGGINS' HOUSE, WIMPOLE STREET

ON THE STREET WHERE YOU LIVE (reprise) Freddy
SHOW ME Freddy and Eliza

SCENE 4: FLOWER MARKET OF COVENT GARDEN

WOULDN'T IT BE LOVERLY? (reprise)

GET ME TO THE CHURCH ON TIME

Eliza and the Loverly Quartet

Doolittle, Jamie, Harry,
and the company

SCENE 5: UPSTAIRS HALL OF HIGGINS' HOUSE

A HYMN TO HIM Higgins

SCENE 6: THE CONSERVATORY OF MRS. HIGGINS' HOUSE

WITHOUT YOU Eliza and Higgins

SCENE 7: OUTSIDE HIGGINS' HOUSE, WIMPOLE STREET

I'VE GROWN ACCUSTOMED TO HER FACE Higgins

SCENE 8: HIGGINS' STUDY

The place is London, the time is 1912.

THERE WILL BE ONE 15-MINUTE INTERMISSION.

MUSICAL NUMBERS, cont.

MY FAIR LADY ORCHESTRA

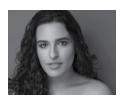
David Andrews Rogers, music director and conductor Michael Hopewell, AMD and keys Victoria Carchietta, reed 1
Andrew Clark, reed 2
Joel Uliassi, trumpet
Eileen Coyne, French horn
Megan O'Malley, trombone
Laura Hamel, percussion
Amanda Nix, concert master
Elen Wroten, cello
Abraham Masso, bass
Ted Sperling, additional arrangements
Talitha Fehr, music coordinator

PROGRAM NOTE

After tryouts in New Haven and Philadelphia, My Fair Lady starring Rex Harrison and Julie Andrews opened on Broadway at the Mark Hellinger Theatre on March 15, 1956. Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe wrote the book and score, adapted from George Bernard Shaw's famous play and Gabriel Pascal's motion picture, Pygmalion. The original production, one of the most distinguished in the history of the musical theatre, was directed by Moss Hart. When My Fair Lady closed on September 29, 1962, it had played 2,717 performances, more than any other musical up to that time.

BIOGRAPHIES

ANETTE BARRIOS-TORRES, ELIZA DOOLITTLE



Anette Barrios-Torres is a Cuban-American actor from Miami, FL. National tour debut! Regional: *The Sound of Music* (Maria), *Carousel* (Carrie), and *Grease* (Jan) with Lyric Theatre OK. Concerts: 54 Below and An Evening with

Kelli O'Hara with OKC Phil. OCU grad! Thanks HCKR, Ann, DAR, Sami, and Bart. Besos to her family and Nathan. For Marin. @anettebarriostorres

JONATHAN GRUNERT, PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS



Jonathan Grunert is thrilled to return for another year as Henry Higgins! Favorite credits include: Murder on the Orient Express (Arbuthnot), Shakespeare in Love (Wessex), Thoroughly Modern Millie (Trevor Graydon), Romeo & Juliet

(Mercutio), and *Evil Dead: The Musical* (Ash). MFA FSU/Asolo Conservatory, BFA Southern Methodist University. Learn more at JonathanGrunert.com.

JOHN ADKISON, COLONEL PICKERING



National tour: My Fair Lady, The Music Man, A Christmas Story, and Elf. Regional: Laguna Playhouse, People's Light & Theatre Co., Sierra Repertory Theatre, Gablestage, and Ocean State Theatre Co. Stock: Little Theatre

on the Square, Theatre by the Sea, and Barn Theatre. More at <u>johnadkison.com</u>. Love to JCA.

MAEGHIN MUELLER, MRS. PEARCE



Maeghin Mueller is so excited to be returning to tour! National tour: *Emojiland: The Musical* (Pile of Poo). Regional credits: *A Little Night Music* (Desiree Armfeldt), *Bonnie and Clyde* (Blanche), and *Into the Woods* (Jack's Mother). Workshop:

Last of the Red Hot Mamas (Sophie Tucker). Many thanks to the MFL team, my friends, family, and Jose! @maeghinksings

NATHAN HALTIWANGER, FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL



Nathan Haltiwanger is thrilled to return for another year on tour! Select regional credits: Sweeney Todd (Anthony Hope), She Loves Me (Stephen Kodaly), Cinderella (Prince Topher), and Beauty and the Beast (Gaston). Thanks to

Colin, my UIA family, and the entire MFL team! All my love to my family and Logan. IG: @nathan.haltiwanger

MICHAEL HEGARTY, ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE



Michael Hegarty is thrilled to be returning to Wimpole Street for another year. Credits: First national tour of Bartlett Sher's Fiddler on The Roof. Regional: The Producers, Les Miserables, Footloose, Kinky Boots, Damn Yankees,

Sweeney Todd, and A Christmas Story. TV/Film: Tommy (with Edie Falco) and Better Nate Than Ever. More at michaelihegarty.com.

BECKY SAUNDERS, MRS. HIGGINS



Becky Saunders is happy to be back on tour as Mrs. Higgins! Tours: Bye-Bye Birdie (Mrs. Merkle) and Golf: The Musical (Principal). New York: A Little Night Music (Madame Armfeldt). Regional: Always...Patsy Cline (Louise Seger,

dir. Ted Swindley), White Christmas (Martha Watson, dir. Rob Baron), and Anne of Green Gables (Marilla Cuthbert, dir. Jessica Kubzansky).

LAUREN EMILY ALAGNA, HIGGINS' MAIDS AND ENSEMBLE



Lauren Emily Alagna is overwhelmed with gratitude to be joining My Fair Lady! Favorite credits: A Chorus Line (Kristine, PSF, and REV), Evita (Mistress understudy, Fulton), State Fair (REV), and An American in Paris (ABT). Immense

love to her supportive family and friends, and appreciation to HKA. Instagram: @lauren.alagna

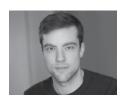
EVAN BERTRAM, HIGGINS' MAIDS, ENSEMBLE, AND ELIZA DOOLITTLE UNDERSTUDY



National tour debut! Regional: Guys and Dolls (Axelrod), Million Dollar Quartet (Ogunquit), A Christmas Carol (Gateway), The Secret Garden (ACT of CT), and SHOUT! (Mason Street). JMU MT alum. Huge thanks to UIA, ARC, and my

precious family. Delighted to share the stage with my husband, Jackson! Matt. 11:28-30. IG @evbertram

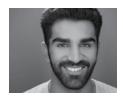
NICHOLAS CARROLL, HARRY, FOOTMAN, ENSEMBLE, PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS UNDERSTUDY, AND COLONEL PICKERING UNDERSTUDY



National Tour: The Sound of Music (Captain Von Trapp understudy). Select regional: Oklahoma! (Judd), Mamma Mia! (Harry), Shrek the Musical (Lord Farqaad) at Little Theatre on the Square, and The Full Monty (Reg Willoughby) at North

Shore Music Theatre. Ithaca College BFA Musical Theatre. Much gratitude to the entire MFL company! @nickarroll

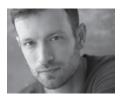
RYAAN FARHADI, JAMIE, THE *LOVERLY* QUARTET, HOXTON MAN, ENSEMBLE, AND ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE UNDERSTUDY



National Tour debut! Recent graduate of Penn State Musical Theatre. Huge thanks to ARC Casting, My Fair Lady, and his team at PMA. Dedicated to every one of his teachers, mentors and his parents, without whom none of this

would be possible. Iranian and Afghan American. @ryaanfarhadi

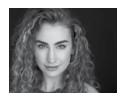
ANDREW FEHREHBACHER, FRANK THE BARTENDER, FOOTMAN, ENSEMBLE, PROFESSOR HENRY HIGGINS UNDERSTUDY, AND COLONEL PICKERING UNDERSTUDY



Andrew Fehrenbacher is excited to return to Wimpole Street! Regional: Guys and Dolls (Sky), The Sound of Music (Captain), Next to Normal (Dan), A Christmas Carol (Bob Cratchit), Ring of Fire (Johnny Cash), and more! Thanks to the

MFL, team, Dr. Perna, Peppy, and Brian. Love to Mary.

KELLY GLEASON, FLOWER GIRL, HIGGINS' MAIDS, ENSEMBLE, AND ASSISTANT DANCE CAPTAIN



Kelly Gleason is thrilled to join the MFL tour! National tour: *Chicago* (Hunyak understudy Roxie) and *42nd Street*. Favorite regional: *Holiday Inn* (Paper Mill), *Catch Me if You Can* (REV), *Cinderella* (NSMT), and *Singin' in the Rain*

(Girl in Green and assistant choreographer; TBTS). Pace U grad. Thanks to Mom, Dad, and the MFL team!

JACKSON HURT, THE *LOVERLY* QUARTET, STEWARD, HIGGINS' BUTLER, ENSEMBLE, AND FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL UNDERSTUDY



Jackson Hurt is thrilled to be back on tour! Tour: My Fair Lady (second national). Cruise: RCCL. Regional: Sound of Music (The Lex); Little Women, Grease, and Little Mermaid (Palace); and Cinderella (Aurora). Many thanks to UIA and

my family. Blessed to be on stage with my wife, Evan! NKU BFA Alum. @jackson.hurt12. Ephesians 6:16.

CHRISTOPHER ISOLANO, ZOLTAN KARPATHY, SELSEY MAN, AND ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE UNDERSTUDY



Christopher Isolano is honored to join LCT's My Fair Lady. Off-Broadway: The Golden Cage (Theatre Row) and Fancy Nancy (AMT). Regional: The Sound of Music (Engeman), Godspell (Theatre Aspen), and Spring Awakening

(Hangar). Additional: Aida and Nabucco (Metropolitan Opera). Love to ASA, ARC, my new MFL fam, my famiglia/amici, and my Hitchweist. Hi, Ma! @Chris Isolano

MICHELLE LEMON, LADY BOXINGTON AND ENSEMBLE



National Tour debut! Select regional credits: A Chorus Line, Cinderella (Phoenix Theatre Company), Something Rotten, Crazy for You, Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat, Anything Goes (Sharon Playhouse), and Indecent

(Playhouse on Park). Michelle Lemon holds a BFA in dance from the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities. Find more information at michellelemon.com and @michelleglemon.

JESSICA ORDAZ, MRS. HOPKINS, HIGGINS' MAIDS, ENSEMBLE, AND MRS. PEARCE UNDERSTUDY



National tour debut! Regional: In the Heights (PVPA), Secret Garden, Mamma Mia!, Parade, Oklahoma! (3DTheatricals), Hunchback of Notre Dame, and The Sound of Music (MCRE). Ordaz sings for the Disneyland Resort and for

Christmas parody group The Mistletones. Beyond grateful to Amber Snead and the incredible cast and crew! Jeremiah 29:11 @JessicaLOrdaz

RAFA PEPÉN, CONSTABLE AND ENSEMBLE



Rafa Pepén is making his national tour debut! Born and raised in the Dominican Republic. Recently seen in 42nd Street at Riverside Theater and The Wizard of Oz at The Palace Theater. Pepén's favorite Dominican credits include

CATS, Spring Awakening, Godspell, and The Addams Family. Gracias a mi familia y amigos por todo el apoyo. Los quiero!

KUMARI SMALL, MS. CLARA EYNSFORD-HILL AND ENSEMBLE



Kumari Small is California-born and New York City-based and is thrilled to be joining *My Fair Lady*. Credits include *Rudolph* (national tour), Mary in *Mary Poppins* at the Hyperion at the Disneyland Resort, Gabrielle in R&H's *Cinderella*,

Memphis, and Beauty and the Beast (Moonlight Amphitheater). Love to her to her family and friends. Represented by Firestarter Entertainment. @kumarismall

CHARLIE TINGEN, THE *LOVERLY* QUARTET, LORD BOXINGTON, HIGGINS' BUTLERS, ENSEMBLE, AND FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL UNDERSTUDY



Charlie Tingen is thrilled to join this loverly tour! Tingen has performed off-Broadway, in national tours, with symphony orchestras, and at opera companies and regional theatres throughout the United States. Recent performances include

Anatole in the regional premiere of Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812; Shakespeare in Something Rotten!; and Toby in Sweeney Todd. Find Tingen at @charlietingen and charlietingen.com.

GILL VAUGHN-SPENCER, THE *LOVERLY* QUARTET, CONSTABLE, AND ENSEMBLE



A small potato in the Big City! Recently seen in the *Legally Blonde* 2022-2023 national tour (ensemble and Emmet cover) and the *A Chorus Line* 2022 international tour (swing and Zach cover). Point Park 2020 alumn and YOU Talent

client. Thank you team, family, friends, and God! Find him at <u>gillvs.</u> <u>com</u> and @gill.rvs.

JOHN VISO, CHARLES AND ENSEMBLE



John Viso is a New York City-based performer born and raised in Kansas City. National tour debut. Credits: *Cabaret* (The Old Globe and Asolo Rep), MSC Cruises (RWS Entertainment), A Chorus Line and Newsies! (The Lexington

Theatre Co.), Anything Goes and Newsies! (Porthouse Theatre), and Bright Star (Phoenix Theatre). Education: BFA Musical Theatre from Ball State University. Find Viso at johnviso.com and @visoinlights.

GERRI WEAGRAFF, QUEEN OF TRANSYLVANIA, ENSEMBLE, MRS. HIGGINS UNDERSTUDY, AND MRS. PEARCE UNDERSTUDY



Gerri Weagraff is delighted to join the MFL tour! National tours: *Anastasia* (Dowager Empress) and *Fiddler on the Roof* (Golde). Regional: Arizona Broadway Theatre, Surflight, Beef & Boards, Candlelight Theatre, and Fireside.

Credits: Funny Girl (Mrs. Brice), Into the Woods (Jack's Mother), The Spitfire Grill (Hannah), Follies (Phyllis), and Lend Me a Tenor (Julia). Find more information at <u>gerriweagraff.com</u>.

MARY BETH WEBBER, MRS. EYNSFORD-HILL, ENSEMBLE, AND MRS. HIGGINS UNDERSTUDY



Mary Beth Webber is honored to be joining this amazing production. Webber recently performed in the first national tour of *Fiddler* on the Roof as Yente the Matchmaker. However, her most important role to date is Mom to her

seven fabulous daughters. Much love and gratitude to Mimi, Jack, Leigh, and the J.U.G. Club for their unwavering support.

NICK BERKE, SWING, DANCE CAPTAIN, FIGHT CAPTAIN, AND ASSISTANT CHOREOGRAPHER



Nick Berke returns to *My Fair Lady* for another season, after its acclaimed 2022-2023 run. This is Berke's second Bartlett Sher production; he most recently spent four years and 700 performances on the first national tour of *Fiddler*

on the Roof. Other tours: A Chorus Line (North America/Japan 2018 and Japan 2022). BFA NYU/Tisch. Find Berke at <u>nickberke.com</u> and @nickberke.

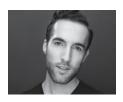
SHANNON CONBOY, ENSEMBLE AND ONSTAGE SWING



Regional premiere: Tuacahn's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Cherry Sundae). Other favorites: Elf National Tour, Singin' in the Rain (Kathy Selden), Dames at Sea (Ruby), and the ZACH's Beauty and the Beast. Special thanks to

Casting by ARC, Brian at HKA, and the creative team. Love to her supportive family! @shanconboy

DEREK LUSCUTOFF, ENSEMBLE AND ONSTAGE SWING



National tour debut! Last year, Derek Luscutoff was dance assistant to Randy Skinner and a swing in the pre-Broadway tryout of 42nd Street at Goodspeed Musicals. Other credits: Don Lockwood in Singin' in the Rain (Rivertown

Theaters), Cinderella (Paper Mill Playhouse), Mamma Mia! (North Shore Music Theatre), and Swing! (Norwegian Cruise Line). BA from UC Berkeley. Many thanks to Crossroads Live, the creative team, BWA Agency, friends, family, and Daniel! Find Luscutoff at DerekLuscutoff.com and @derekluscutoff.

ASHTON NORRIS, SWING



Ashton Norris is a California girl currently based in Chicago and is thrilled to be touring with *My Fair Lady!* A recent graduate from Roosevelt University, some previous credits include *A Chorus Line, Cinderella,* and *Pajama Game.*

Thanks to her family and agents at Gray Talent for their support! @ashtonmarienorris

ALAN JAY LERNER, BOOK AND LYRICS

Alan Jay Lerner wrote some of America's best loved and enduring stage and movie musicals with Frederick Loewe over a period of more than 25 years: Life of the Party, What's Up, The Day Before Spring, Brigadoon, Paint Your Wagon, My Fair Lady, Camelot, and Gigi. Lerner also wrote Love Life with Kurt Weill, On a Clear Day You Can See Forever and Carmelina with Burton Lane, Coco with Andre Previn, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue with Leonard Bernstein, and Dance a Little Closer with Charles Strouse. He wrote the libretto and/or lyrics for the films An American in Paris, Gigi, The Little Prince, and Royal Wedding, as well as the film versions of his plays. He wrote two books: The Street Where I Live and The Musical Theatre: A Celebration. During his life, he received multiple Tonys, Oscars, Grammys, and Golden Globes and a Kennedy Center Honor. Lerner died in 1986.

FREDERICK LOEWE, MUSIC

Frederick Loewe, a classically trained musician, wrote the scores for some of America's most memorable musicals, including My Fair Lady, Camelot, Brigadoon, Paint Your Wagon, and Gigi. Among his most famous songs with lyricist and partner Alan Jay Lerner are Almost Like Being in Love, I Could Have Danced All Night, and Thank Heaven for Little Girls. A musical prodigy, Loewe was

born in Berlin in 1901 and, at 13, was the youngest piano soloist to play with the Berlin Philharmonic. His popular song, *Katrina*, written when he was 15, sold more than a million copies across Europe. Struggling to find work on Broadway after arriving in the U.S. in 1924, Loewe worked at such odd jobs as cow punching, boxing, and accompanying silent films on the piano. He wrote with several other lyricists until approaching Lerner at New York's Lambs Club in 1942 about collaborating on a show — thus beginning one of Broadway's most extraordinary partnerships. The recipient of multiple Tony and Academy awards, Loewe died in Palm Springs in 1988.

BARTLETT SHER, DIRECTION

Bartlett Sher received a Tony Award nomination for the Broadway run of My Fair Lady. Sher won the Tony Award for Best Direction of a Musical for South Pacific (also London and Australia). He also received Tony Award nominations for Best Direction for To Kill a Mockingbird, Oslo (also National Theatre, London), The King and I (also London), Golden Boy, Joe Turner's Come and Gone, Awake and Sing!, and The Light in the Piazza. Also on Broadway, he directed a revival of Lerner & Lowe's Camelot, Pictures From Home, Fiddler on the Roof, The Bridges of Madison County, and Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown (also London). He also directed New York productions of Intimate Apparel and Blood & Gifts (Lincoln Center), Prayer for My Enemy and The Butterfly Collection (Playwrights Horizons), Cymbeline (Callaway Award and Royal Shakespeare Company), Waste (Best Play Obie Award), and Don Juan and Pericles (TFANA, BAM). Opera includes: Rigoletto (Metropolitan Opera and Staatsoper Berlin); Roméo et Juliette (Metropolitan Opera, Salzburg, Milan, and Chicago); Faust (Baden Baden); Two Boys (English National Opera and Metropolitan Opera); Il Barbiere di Siviglia (Baden Baden and Metropolitan Opera), Otello, Les Contes d'Hoffmann, Le Comte Ory, and

L'Elisir d'Amore (Metropolitan Opera); and Mourning Becomes Electra (Seattle Opera and New York City Opera). Previously artistic director of Seattle's Intiman Theatre (2000–2009), company director for the Guthrie Theater, and associate artistic director at Hartford Stage Company, Sher has been resident director at Lincoln Center Theater since 2008. He serves on the board of the Society of Stage Directors and Choreographers. Sher's film, Oslo, premiered on HBO in 2021, was nominated for two Emmy Awards, and won a Critics Choice Award.

SAMANTHA (SAMI) SALTZMAN, ASSOCIATE TOUR DIRECTOR

Samantha Saltzman has worked as an associate director transferring landmark Broadway productions to national and thternational tours and has also directed countless new musicals and established productions and major events featuring A-list celebrity talent. Associate/Resident Director: The King and I (U.K. tour), My Fair Lady (second national U.S.), The Color Purple (second national U.S.), Matilda the Musical (first national U.S.), Lady in the Dark (NYCC), Southern Comfort (The Public Theatre), and Sarah Brightman's Dreamchaser World Tour. Assistant Resident Director and Rehearsal Director: The Phantom of the Opera (world tour), Matilda the Musical (Broadway), and The King and I (second national U.S.). Director (select credits): LadyShip, Drama League Gala Honoring Steve Martin, 210 Amlent Ave, In Trousers, and Urinetown. TV/Film: Parent Teacher Conference, Idle Worship, and Adulting with Jane. Drama League Directing Fellow Alumni. Find more information at samanthasaltzman.com.

CHRISTOPHER GATTELLI, CHOREOGRAPHY

LCT: My Fair Lady (Tony and Outer Critics Circle nominations), The King and I (Tony nomination), South Pacific (Tony and OCC nominations), and Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown.

Broadway: The Cher Show (also Chicago), War Paint, Newsies (Tony, DD, and OCC awards for Best Choreography), SpongeBob SquarePants (Tony nomination), Sunday in the Park with George, Casa Valentina, Godspell, 13, The Ritz, Martin Short: Fame Becomes Me, and High Fidelity. West End: Silence! The Musical! and Sunday in the Park With George. Off-Broadway: Dogfight (Lortel Award), Altar Boyz (Lortel and Callaway awards and DD nomination), Bat Boy: The Musical (Lortel Award); and tick, tick... BOOM! Film: Hail, Caesar!; Newsies; and Isn't It Romantic? TV: Schmigadoon!

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Jim Cooney is a New York City-based director and choreographer. Highlighted credits include *Between the Sea and Sky* (Best Musical winner, Best Choreography nomination), *Shooting Star* (Best Choreography award), *A Chorus Line* (Best Musical and Best Choreography awards), *Broadway Bares* (directed by Jerry Mitchell), and *Sweet Charity* (directed by Michael Rupert). Cooney is the founder of Amplified Artists, a membership community for theatre professionals, and is the host of the *Theater Life Uncensored* podcast. Learn more at JimCooney.me.

TED SPERLING, MUSIC SUPERVISOR

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MICHAEL YEARGAN, SCENIC DESIGN

LCT: My Fair Lady (Tony and Outer Critics Circle nominations), Oslo (Tony nomination), The King and I (Tony and OCC nominations), Golden Boy (Tony nomination), Blood and Gifts, Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown, Joe Turner's Come and Gone (Tony nomination), South Pacific (Tony and Drama Desk awards and OCC nomination), Cymbeline, Awake and Sing! (DD Award and Tony nomination), Edward Albee's Seascape, and The Light in the Piazza (Tony and DD awards). Broadway: The Ritz, Bad Habits, A Lesson From Aloes, The Road to Mecca (Roundabout), and Fiddler on the Roof (Broadway revival). Credits also include off-Broadway, regional theatre, London, 10 productions at the Metropolitan Opera, and work at major opera companies throughout the United States, Europe, and Australia.

MIKIKO SUZUKI MACADAMS, ASSOCIATE SET DESIGNER

Mikiko Suzuki MacAdams' design work has been seen off-Broadway and in regional theatres all around the U.S. As an associate set designer, MacAdams has worked on several Broadway, West End and U.S., U.K., and international tours. For full credits, please visit mikikosmacadams.com. Currently, MacAdams is a faculty member of Geffen Drama School at Yale.

CATHERINE ZUBER, COSTUME DESIGN

Broadway: Moulin Rouge (Tony, Olivier, Drama Desk, and Outer Critics Circle awards), Mrs. Doubtfire, My Fair Lady (Tony, Drama Desk, and Outer Critics Circle awards), Oslo, The Father, War Paint (Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle awards), The King and I, (Olivier and Tony awards), Fiddler on the Roof, Golden Boy, South

Pacific (Tony Award), The Coast of Utopia (Tony Award), The Light in the Piazza (Tony Award), Awake and Sing! (Tony Award), The Royal Family (Tony Award), Edward Albee's Seascape, Gigi (Drama Desk Award), Doubt, and Dinner at Eight. Metropolitan Opera: Rigoletto, Porgy and Bess, Il Barbiere di Siviglia, Les Contes d'Hoffman, Comte Ory, L'elisir d'Amore, Otello, Dr. Atomic, and Roméo et Juliette. 2016 Induction: Theater Hall of Fame. Oslo, film HBO

DONALD HOLDER, LIGHTING DESIGN

Broadway: Over 50 productions, two Tony awards (*The Lion King* and *South Pacific*), and 14 Tony nominations. Recent projects include *Paradise Square*, *Tootsie*, *Kiss Me Kate*, *My Fair Lady*, *Oslo*, *Anastasia*, *She Loves Me*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *The King and I, The Bridges of Madison County, Golden Boy, Spiderman*, and many others. Film/TV: *Spirited* (Apple Studios), *The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel* (Amazon Studios), *Oceans 8* (Warner Bros. Pictures), and *Smash* (NBC/Dreamworks). Graduate of the Yale School of Drama; head of lighting design at Rutgers University.

MARC SALZBERG, SOUND DESIGN

Broadway: Camelot (co-design with Beth Lake); My Fair Lady (also London, U.K., and U.S. tours); The Great Society (co-design with Paul James Prendergast); Oslo, Golden Boy (Tony nomination), and Awake and Sing! (co-designed with Peter John Still); Fiddler on the Roof (1981 revival); and Larry Gelbart's Mastergate. Off-Broadway: The Hard Problem, Forever Plaid, and Intimate Apparel. Salzberg sat behind the mixing desk as production soundman at the Vivian Beaumont Theater at New York's Lincoln Center for 20 years, mixing 29 shows, including South Pacific, The Coast of Utopia, and The Light in the Piazza.

BETH LAKE, SOUND DESIGN

Beth Lake is a freelance sound designer and theatre practitioner based in New York City. Recent credits: Kinky Boots (Bucks County Playhouse), Kiss My Aztec (Hartford Stage with Jessica Paz), A Thousand Splendid Suns (U.S. tour), American Girl Live! (U.S. tour), The Revolutionists, and An Iliad (Gulfshore Playhouse). Broadway Associate: Pass Over, Is This a Room?, Dana H, My Fair Lady, The Sound Inside, and Intimate Apparel. M.F.A. UC-Irvine; Member USA829.

TOM WATSON, HAIR AND WIG DESIGN

Tom Watson headed the wig and makeup department at the Metropolitan Opera for 17 years. Watson has designed more than 100 Broadway productions, including Wicked, Rock of Ages, The King and I, Fiddler on the Roof, Oslo, Falsettos, The Little Foxes, My Fair Lady, Plaza Suite, Parade, and Spamalot revival.

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ROBERT RUSSELL BENNETT, ORCHESTRATIONS, 1894-1981

Robert Russell Bennett orchestrated more than 300 Broadway musical scores, including Show Boat; No, No, Nanette; Of Thee I Sing; Face the Music; Oklahoma!; Carmen Jones; Finian's Rainbow; Kiss Me, Kate; South Pacific; The King and I; My Fair Lady; and Camelot. His arrangements for the 1955 film version of Oklahoma! earned him an Academy Award. He also orchestrated and arranged Richard Rodgers' TV documentary score for Victory at Sea. A classically trained composer, Bennett's prolific output of original compositions includes symphonies, sonatas, a ballet, a concerto, and an opera.

PHILIP J. LANG, ORCHESTRATIONS, 1911-1986

Philip J. Lang was a musician, composer, and music educator who taught at the graduate schools of music at the University of Michigan and the University of Colorado and was the orchestrator of more than 50 Broadway musicals, including My Fair Lady and Camelot (with Robert Russell Bennett); Annie Get Your Gun; Applause; Hello, Dolly!; Carnival; and 42nd Street. Lang was an orchestrator for the Metropolitan Opera and a frequent musical arranger for television, including Hallmark Productions, David Susskind, Radio City Music Hall, and The Tonight Show.

TRUDE RITTMANN, DANCE ARRANGEMENTS

Trude Rittmann amassed more than 50 Broadway credits as choral and dance arranger, including *The Sound of Music, The King and I, South Pacific, My Fair Lady, Carousel, Finian's Rainbow, Brigadoon, Paint Your Wagon,* and *Peter Pan.* A composer in her own right, Rittmann provided music for such shows as *Omnibus* and *Seven Lively Arts.*

JOSH CLAYTON, NEW ORCHESTRATIONS

Josh Clayton recently collaborated with Jonathan Tunick on the National Theatre of London's revival of Follies. Clayton provided new orchestrations for the U.S. national tour and London productions of Lincoln Center's Tony Award-winning revival of The King and I. Other orchestration credits include Titanic (Signature Theatre), Brigadoon (Goodman Theatre), The New Yorkers and The Cradle Will Rock (New York City Center), On A Clear Day, Finian's Rainbow, and Donnybrook (Irish Repertory Theatre). Clayton is currently the supervisor of music administration and score restoration for the New York City Center Encores! Series.

LARRY BLANK, NEW ORCHESTRATIONS

Larry Blank's career has taken him across theatre, TV, and film. Blank is a three-time Tony nominee for his orchestrations on *Catch Me If You Can, White Christmas,* and *The Drowsy Chaperone*. To date he has received six Drama Desk Award nominations. Blank orchestrated and conducted FX's *Fosse/Verdon* and was musical director providing arrangements, orchestrations, and conducting Dolly Parton's *Christmas on the Square* for Warner Brothers/Netflix. Blank is the orchestrator for the upcoming musical *Sinatra* and is presently the resident pops conductor for the Pasadena Symphony and Pops.

TALITHA FEHR, MUSIC COORDINATOR

Talitha Fehr has worked on over 75 national and international productions and tours since 2005. Highlights include Sister Act, Mamma Mia!, School of Rock, Come Fly Away, Phantom of the Opera, Love Never Dies, and Priscilla Queen of the Desert, as well as the 2010 Olympic Ceremonies in Vancouver. Fehr dedicates her work on My Fair Lady to the memory of her mentor, Sam Lutfiyya.

DAVID ANDREWS ROGERS, MUSIC DIRECTOR AND CONDUCTOR

David Andrews Rogers is thrilled to be music director and conductor for this tour of My Fair Lady. Rogers' other Broadway touring experience includes The Phantom of the Opera (music director and conductor for the world tour and associate music supervisor for the mainland China tour), An American in Paris, The Wizard of Oz, Fiddler on the Roof, Chicago, Cats, Show Boat, and Les Misérables. In Paris and Brussels, he was music director and associate music supervisor for Le Magicien d'Oz. Rogers' additional conducting credits include the New York Pops at Carnegie Hall, New York's Lincoln Center, and Harlem's legendary Apollo Theatre. He has conducted and/or written orchestrations for Broadway stars and pop artists such as Harvey Fierstein, Patti LuPone, Joel Grey, Sutton Foster, Kristin Chenoweth, Topol, Nell Carter, Debbie Gibson, Sheena Easton, Olivia Newton-John, and Theodore Bikel. Rogers' other credits include over 150 productions in U.S. regional theatre, symphony pops concerts, recordings, and numerous readings of new musicals. Find more information at MaestroDAR.com.

REBECCA RADZIEJESKI, PRODUCTION STAGE MANAGER

Rebecca Radziejeski has worked in fields as diverse as construction, public health, and copywriting, but her first home is the theatre. Radziejeski is pleased to be returning for her second year with this tour. BA Washburn University, Université Blaise Pascal. Kocham cię i dziękuję, tata.

ZOE STEENWYK, ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER

Zoe Steenwyk is beyond excited to travel on her first national tour while sharing theatre with communities around the country. Some of Steenwyk's stage management credits include *La Cenerentola* (Toledo Opera), *Porgy and Bess* (Opera Carolina), *Carmen* (Lyric

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JAMES A. WOODARD, COMPANY MANAGER

Tour Manager: 20 years with Philip Glass and his associated projects. Co-founder of Philip Glass' Days and Nights Festival in Big Sur, California. Company Manager: Alaska Repertory Theatre in Anchorage, Alaska; Alliance Theatre in Atlanta, Georgia; and La Jolla Playhouse in La Jolla, California.

ABI STEINBERG, ASSISTANT COMPANY MANAGER

Abi Steinberg is originally from Southern California (go Halos!) and a proud graduate of Tufts University (go 'bos!). Thank you to her family and dear friends for their loving support and care. Thank you to each city for sharing your home with us.

ANDREW TERLIZZI, GENERAL MANAGER

Andrew Terlizzi comes to Crossroads Live after a 17-year touring career, 10 of which he spent with TROIKA Entertainment. General Manager: My Fair Lady, Annie, and Tootsie. Company Manager: Tootsie, Escape to Margaritaville, Kinky Boots, Bodyguard the Musical, Cheers Live on Stage, The Wizard of Oz, Sister Act the Musical, Ghost: The Musical, Priscilla Queen of the Desert, and West Side Story. Terlizzi holds a B.F.A. from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts.

GREGG DAMANTI, PRODUCTION MANAGER

A 23-year theatre veteran, Gregg Damanti started as a production stage manager for Busch Gardens and later became the production manager for Blue Man Group in New York City. Since joining Crossroads Live, Damanti's national tour credits include the first national of *On Your Feet!*, *Cats*, the first national of Lincoln Center's

My Fair Lady, and Pretty Woman. Thanks to Jen and Ripley, who I miss dearly while on the road and love coming home to them both.

DAVE BURCH, TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

Dave Burch began his career as a scenic fabricator before transitioning to touring Broadway theatre, where he has worked for the past 13 years. His favorite touring credits include *The Phantom of the Opera, World Tour,* and *Mamma Mia!* (where he met his wife during a scene change). He is originally from Savannah, Georgia; has traveled to 30 countries; and when not on the road lives in Florida with his wife, newborn twins, and their cat.

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This is the first performance of My Fair Lady at the Moss Arts Center.

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GUEST ESSAY

This essay is part of a series of writings by Virginia Tech faculty, staff, and community members that contextualize Moss Arts Center visiting artist performances.

MY FAIR LADY IN SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA

Like Professor Higgins — and a small number of impressive faculty here at Virginia Tech — the science of speech is my profession. I'm a linguist (specifically a sociophonetician), which means that I study the production and perception of speech sounds and how they vary in socially meaningful ways. These days researchers like me use computers to pull measurements from soundwaves, capturing really small changes in pronunciation across large bodies of data, correlating combinations of sounds with particular social groups, and tracking language change over time.

Because of these advances in technology, I haven't needed training in the sort of fine-grained auditory coding Higgins uses. But even without training, I, just like you, can hear a lot of social information in speech. From countless experiments we know that listeners can infer a speaker's gender, ethnicity, sexuality, age, regional and linguistic background, physical size, mood, and even health. These judgements are pretty consistent even based on a single word, and we can be sensitive to the manipulation of just a single sound in forming a mental picture of who we're listening to.

The critical piece of information that accent carries in the world of *My Fair Lady* is social class. Eliza Doolittle's accent marks that she is poor, while Colonel Pickering's accent suggests that he is rich. In the U.S., people don't explicitly talk about accents as marking social class so much as region, but what it is to sound "middle

GUEST ESSAY, cont.

class" in the United States is increasingly to sound aregional: if people can tell where you're from based on your accent, they're more likely to perceive you as working class.

This can lead to grief for speakers of regionally-marked dialects as they enter universities, which are bastions of the education that usually separates the working and middle classes. On campuses, some people who would otherwise abhor prejudice based on gender, ethnicity, or income seem quite comfortable scolding someone for saying "I feel like," "aks," or "I didn't do nothing," which are associated with feminine, Black, and working-class speech, respectively. And at this land grant institution in Southwest Virginia, some Appalachian students get teased for their dialect by (Northern Virginia) classmates and even advised to eliminate their accents by professors.

Higgins would pile on, no doubt, in witty and cruel ways. But that's where Higgins seems the least like any linguist I've ever met, because he has such contempt for the dialectal variation he has devoted his life to studying. The sum of his philosophy on language seems to be, "why can't people sound like me?," which — if taken to its logical end — means that we would all pronounce everything the exact same way.

Doesn't that sound... miserable? And it completely misses what is so interesting about phonetics: variation isn't random! No one is entirely "speaking English any way they like." It is the very systematicity of dialectal variation that allows Higgins (and us) to recognize where a speaker is from, and researchers to reconstruct pronunciations of ancient languages and posit intelligent theories about the why, when, and where of sound change.

But what about the "proper" way to speak? Well, that's something we can study too, as a socially constructed ideological object that tells us a lot about society and power: whose speech is treated as unmarked and unaccented, whose speech is seen as deviant, and who decides? What sort of post-hoc arguments are used to justify these positions, and how well do they hold up to scrutiny?

Higgin's cranky prescriptivism is entertaining, but don't forget that he's the villain of *My Fair Lady*. And the pinnacle of the cruelty that he and even the more gentlemanly Pickering engage in is that they treat Eliza's speech as an intellectual exercise, mere tomfoolery. But it's Eliza's *life*. Their game has huge consequences for her, including negative ones. What is so interesting to me about these consequences is that Eliza doesn't experience them as particularly internal; she changed her speech, and then people changed how they treated her.

What if they didn't?

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Co-presented with the Department of English at Virginia Tech

Special thanks to Abby Walker, Department of English, and the Lyric Theatre

GO DEEPER

George Bernard Shaw made it clear in his 1916 essay, What Happens Afterwards, and in a note to an actress playing Eliza in 1920 that Eliza and Higgins should not end the show as a romantic couple. Shaw wrote, "when Eliza emancipates herself — when Galatea [from Pygmalion] comes to life — she must not relapse. She must retain her pride and triumph to the end." How does the updated revival of My Fair Lady uphold the feminist intent that Shaw described?



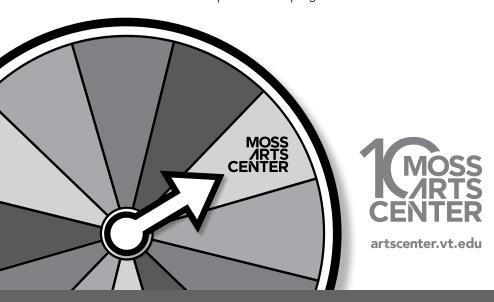
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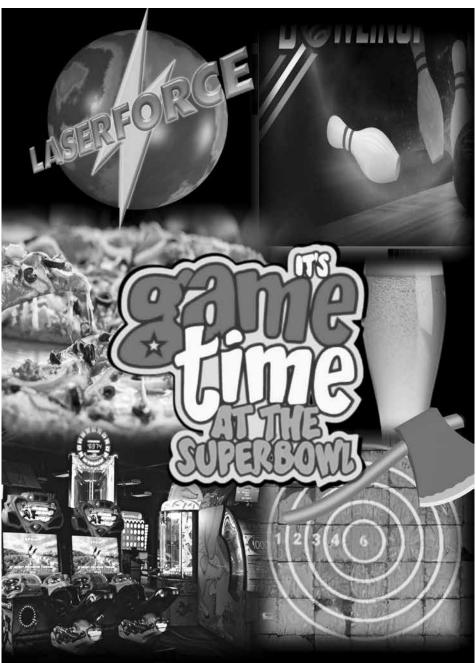
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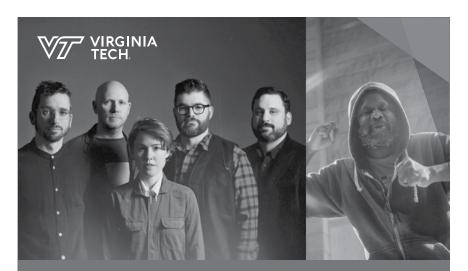
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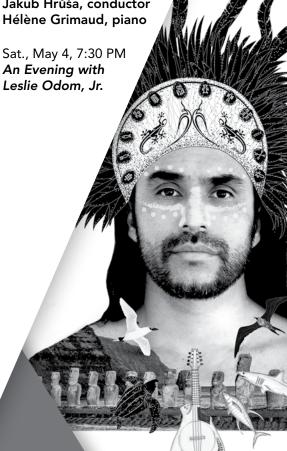
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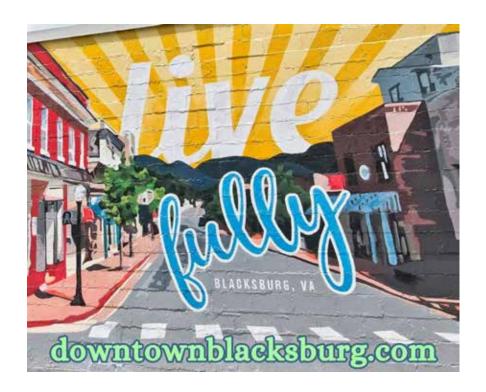
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YMCA AT VIRGINIA TECH

Meet the Y Team

Halle Barnwell

My name is Halle Barnwell and I am currently a senior at Virginia Tech studying biology in hopes to go to medical school and become a Pediatrician.

I am the new YSP leader for healthy kids day, and am very excited to become a bigger part of the community in something that I am very passionate about.

My favorite thing about the Y is how involved in the community they are and that they continue to get Virginia Tech students involved in the community and not just on campus. The Y has been around for 150 years, which makes me excited and proud to be a part of something that truly helps people and is respected by the community.



Halle pictured above, Jayne pictured below



Jayne Staley

Senior studying Clinical Neuroscience Virginia Tech | Class of 2024

I am one of the Program Leaders for Joining Generations

My favorite thing about the Y are the communities our programs reach. It's amazing to see undeserved communities reached by passionate students and volunteers.

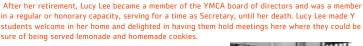
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