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PRESENTS

DAMN YANKEES

Words and Music by
RICHARD ADLER and
JERRY ROSS

Book by
GEORGE ABBOTT and
DOUGLASS WALLOP

Based on the novel by Douglass Wallop "The Year the Yankees Lost the Pennant"

with

Tyler Webster
Traci Weisberg

Samuel Ginn
Rick Harper
Camille Fairbanks

Gillian Stoltz
Jeff Elam

Scenic Design and Lighting
Samantha Kuzian

Music Director
Danielle Lorentz

Choreographed by
Shannon Champion

Directed by
Samantha Kuzian

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SONGS

ACT I

Six Months Out of Every Year	Joe Boyd, Meg Boyd, Cast
Goodbye, Old Girl	Joe Boyd, Joe Hardy
Heart	Van Buren, Baseball Team
Shoeless Joe From Hannibal, MO.	Gloria Thorpe, Ensemble
A Man Doesn't Know	Joe Hardy, Meg Boyd
A Little Brains, A Little Talent	Lola
Goodbye, Old Girl (Reprise)	Joe Hardy, Meg Boyd
A Man Doesn't Know (Reprise)	Joe Hardy, Meg Boyd
Whatever Lola Wants	Lola
Heart (Reprise)	Cast
Who's Got The Pain	Lola, Rocky

ACT II

The Game	Ballplayers
Near To You	Joe Hardy, Joe Boyd, Meg Boyd
Those Were the Good Old Days	Mr. Applegate
Two Lost Souls	Joe Hardy, Lola
A Man Doesn't Know (Finale)	Joe Boyd, Meg Boyd, Mr. Applegate
Finale/Heart	Company

CAST

(In Order of Appearance)

Joe Boyd	Rick Harper
Meg Boyd	Camille Fairbanks
Mr. Applegate	Tyler Webster
Sister	Blair Sanders
Doris	Kelley Townsend
Joe Hardy	Samuel Ginn
Henry	Katie Robertson Spradley
Sohovik	Lailee Maxwell
Smokey	Aidan Carlton
Linville	Michael Verner
Van Buren	Jeff Elam
Rocky	Russel Tracy
Gloria Thorpe	Gillian Stoltz
Welch	John Brooks
Lola	Traci Weisberg
Bouley	Sarah Williams
Mickey	Arden Patterson
Lowe	Logan Williams
Commissioner	Thomas Standard

PRODUCTION/CREW

Production and Crew Members

Director	Samantha Kuzian
Choreographer	Shannon Champion
Music Director	Danielle Lorentz
Stage Manager	Juniper Hovey
Assistant Stage Manager	Paige Holt, Rory Donovan
Costuming	Samantha Kuzian, Paige Holt, Samuel Ginn
Lighting Design	Samantha Kuzian
Music and Sound	Chris Baker, Nick Fargar, Colten Bobo
Props Team	Danielle Lorentz, Tyler Webster, John Brooks
Backstage Tech	Paige Holt, Rory Donovan, Victoria Bisette, Carson Letner
Production Assistants	Tyler Webster, Russel Tracy, John Brooks, Rick Harper
Spot Operator	Jonathan Bisette

WHO'S WHO



Rick Harper

as Joe Boyd

Rick Harper has acted since grade school, which was long ago than he cares to mention. Starring in *Fiddle on the Roof* (Tevye), *My Fair Lady* (Alfie Doolittle), and *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Jack Worthing), Rick loves the theatre. The Mad Artists' dragged him from retirement for *And Then There Were None* and *Arsenic & Old Lace* and he loves them for it. He also joins MAE on the "BanterBox" movie review podcast. He also works with local theatres such as Lassiter High School as Director and Tech Director. He is also known to narrate audiobooks. Sharp-eyed viewers will see him in *Tomorrow War* and *Sweet Magnolias* (Season 1). Rick is married to the lovely and patient Katy, and they are parents to three kids, two dogs, and a cat.



Camille Fairbanks

as Meg Boyd

Camille Fairbanks is thrilled to perform with the Mad Artists at the Dallas Theater! She has also enjoyed theatrical roles with Marietta Theatre Company in *Nonsense Jamboree*, Pumphouse Players in Cartersville in *The Living Room*, and other locations in Acworth in *7 Keys to Baldpate* and *Anything Goes*, as well as Marietta in *Teachers, the Musical*, *Steel Magnolias*, and *H.M.S. Pinafore*. She designs digital curriculum and is mother to two charismatic children. She gives heartfelt thanks to her tribe for their support and to the cast and crew! Go team!



Tyler Webster

as Mr. Applegate

Tyler Webster is a man who needs an introduction. A salesman by day and a performer by night, Tyler lives a life that some would call "free time averse". As newly appointed Youth Director for Mad Artists' Entertainment, the future looks brighter than ever as he has many community outreach plans brewing. Tyler has been performing since 7 years old in both theatre and film. He has fully dedicated his life to his craft and deeply hopes you enjoy this performance!

WHO'S WHO



Blair Sanders

as Sister

Blair is thrilled to make her Mad Artists' (and musical) debut in *Damn Yankees!* She was last onstage in Live Arts Theatre's production of *Pocatello*. Other notable roles include *Making God Laugh* (Maddie), *Servant of Two Masters-Flipped* (Truffaldino), and *A Midsummer Night's Dream-Flipped* (Peter Quince). She also enjoys directing and serving as Box Office Manager & Board Member for Live Arts Theatre. By day, Blair works as an office manager for XL Softek. By night, she serves at her church's student ministry. Blair would like to thank Samantha and the rest of the creative team for allowing her this opportunity!



Kelley Townsend

as Doris

Kelley Townsend is a veteran Music Educator of 23 years in Paulding County. Although her job allows her to direct an annual musical, this is the first time she has taken an acting role in a production. While maintaining a busy school performance calendar, Kelley is also an active member of the Sweetwater Singers, a community choral group in Douglas County. She enjoys running, and will run her 11th Peachtree Road Race this year. Summers are for family and fun opportunities, and she is thankful her family and friends support her decision to audition and participate in *Damn Yankees!* At least it wasn't skydiving...again.



Samuel Ginn

as Joe Hardy

Samuel Ginn is a local Kennesaw-based actor who has been working for the last 8 years. Some of his credits include *Tarzan* (Terk), *Beauty and the Beast* (Lumiere), and *Little Shop of Horrors* (Seymour, Orin Scrivello). His crew credits include *And Then There Were None* (Director), *Clue: Onstage* (Director), and *Holiday Inn* (ASM) with City Springs. He would like to thank the amazing crew at Mad Artists' for all their hard work!



Katie Robertson Spradley

as Henry

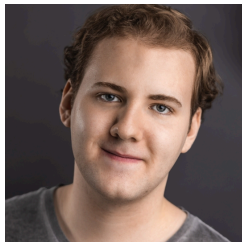
Katie Robertson Spradley is delighted to be playing Henry in *Damn Yankees!* Katie has been in a number of shows in the Atlanta area, including the *Fantasticks* (Luisa), *The Diary of Anne Frank* (Anne), *Member of the Wedding* (Frankie), and ensemble in *Annie*, *Wizard of Oz*, and *As You Like It*. By day Katie is a school teacher and by night she is in a few local bands such as Flamingo Shadow and Picture Boy (who will be debuting at Oakhurst Porch Fest this year). Katie is grateful to be part of this production after a hiatus during which she began her best role as mom to James (age 2) - she'd like to thank her husband Philip for taking on the dinners, bath, and bedtimes and giving up so many weekends to allow Katie the chance to be onstage! She thanks her parents, family, and friends who support her and came out. And lastly, thanks to Samantha and the team for their flexibility and for the opportunity to be among such a talented group. Play ball!



Lailee Maxwell

as Sohovik

Lailee Maxwell is a senior in high school and will be playing Sohovik in this wonderful show! They have also been seen in *Mamma Mia* (Ensemble), *Matilda* (Sergei/Bully), and *Check Please* (Linda) from Paulding County High School's theatre program! Lailee was voted to be a Drama Club officer this year and is excited to see how this year will turn out (@thepchstheatreco on IG)! Besides theatre, Lailee is involved in chorus, band, and marching band. They want to thank their mom for always supporting and encouraging them to pursue what they love, and everyone at MAE for the opportunity they were given. They also want to thank Mrs. Tammie Roper for encouraging them to audition! Finally, thank YOU for getting the time to know me, now go ahead and read about the other lovely people in the cast!



Aidan Carlton

as Smokey

Aidan Carlton is a senior working on a BFA in Musical Theatre and dance minor at Reinhardt University. His love for performing started early when he was cast in *Aladdin Jr* (The Sultan). He has been involved in musicals, plays, and cabarets around the Atlanta area, working on his craft as an actor, playwright, and sound designer. Most recently, he's played in *Twelfth Night* (Malvolio) and *Sweet Charity* (Charlie), with favorite roles including *Into the Woods* (The Baker), and ensemble in *Anything Goes* and *Sweet Charity*. He also enjoyed playing in *Seussical* (Horton), for which he won the MTI Junior Theatre Festival's Inspiration Award. He is a member of Alpha Chi and Pi Kappa Lambda. In his spare time, he enjoys reading, traveling, and climbing lighthouses. He is also a featured background actor in films and series you may have seen on Netflix, Hulu, Prime, and the big screen. He wants to thank his directors, teachers, family and friends for the constant support!



Michael Verner

as Linville

Gunning for rookie of the year, Michael only recently took to the stage, though he's had a passion for performing arts all his life. Into music from a young age, he grew up singing in church, school, the car, and wherever else his enthusiasm was welcomed! As a young adult, he involved himself with the theater in tech work. Recently encouraged to audition for the Shakespeare play *Much Ado About Nothing*, he landed the role of Don Pedro, for which he was nominated for Best Supporting Actor at the Pumpie Awards. He resolved to turn that into momentum by immediately auditioning for a musical after finishing the project. Now a player for the Washington Senators, he's working hard in every way he can to bring the experience to his audience. While musicals are his favorite, he plans to audition for *Dracula* next. He feels fortunate to meet such fantastic people, and looks forward to working with them in the future!



Jeff Elam

as Van Buren

Jeff is excited to be making his debut with Mad Artists' Entertainment! He was last seen in the CTC production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Eugus). Favorite roles include *Picasso* (*Charles Dabernow Schmendiman*) at the Lapin Agile, *The Fantasticks* (Henry Albertson), *Arsenic and Old Lace* (Jonathan Brewster), *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Annas) and *Godspell* (John the Baptist/Judas). Jeff would like to thank his wife Jeanine for continuing to support him in this hobby!

WHO'S WHO



Russel Tracy

as Rocky

Russel Tracy is an energetic 28 year old actor on the stage, as well as a passionate singer. He can be found most recently in his directorial debut in the Mad Artists' Entertainment production of *Arsenic and Old Lace* at the Dallas Theater. He also made his stage debut in Mad Artists' Entertainment's production of *And Then There Were None* (Tom Rogers). He was a member of the Kennesaw Mountain HS Chambers singers program and attended the GMEA All-State Chorus program once in 2013 and again in 2014. He is very excited to be working with the all the Mad Artists as a Production Assistant! In his spare time he loves to read books, play D&D and sing at the top of his lungs for anyone who will listen!



Gillian Stoltz

as Gloria Thorpe

Gillian Stoltz (she/her, Gloria Thorpe) is thrilled to be rooting for the Senators! A native of Marietta, Gillian is a current junior BFA Musical Theatre major at Syracuse University. Just a few favorite credits include: U/S Zuzu (Dance Nation, Syracuse University Department of Drama), Snoopy (...Charlie Brown, Milton Arts), and Sister Mary (Disaster!, The Walker School). Many thanks to the real team, the cast, crew, and creatives! Endless love to Mom, Dad, Mikayla, Charlie, N&P, and Ben. Play ball!



John Brooks

as Welch

John Brooks is more than stoked to be playing Welch in *Damn Yankees!* John has his BA in Theatre & Performance Studies with a concentration in Acting. John has played other iconic roles in Lolek Storytellers *Wizard of Oz* (Cowardly Lion), and Mad Artists' *And Then There Were None* (Justice Wargrave). John is grateful for his family and friends consistent support!

WHO'S WHO



Traci Weisberg

as Lola

Traci is thrilled to be making her MAE debut as Lola! This show has so much heart, and of course a lot of soul (lost souls), and I'm just so honored to be included. Most recent credits include *The Sound of Music* (Baroness Schrader), *Into the Woods* (Cinderella), and *The Little Mermaid* (Ariel). Thank you to the team for believing in me and empowering me in my first "dancer" role. Special thanks to Samantha for seeing potential in me and challenging me to step outside of my typecast! It means so much to have this encouragement and positivity, and I appreciate all the friends I've made. Thank you to my family and friends for being my official greatest fans! Matt, I can't wait to play my next role as your partner in marriage next month. Love to all! xoxo



Sarah Williams

as Bouley

Sarah is a 17 year old homeschool student who is entering into her senior year. She loves dance and aerial arts as well as theatre! She has been in many shows, her favorites being *Peter Pan* (Wendy), *The Tempest* (Miranda), *The Giver* (Fiona), and *Much Ado About Nothing* (Ensemble). She has stage managed for multiple different companies in the past, some being Different Drum Theatrics and Page One Studios. She has been involved with Mad Artists' since their first show in 2021, *And Then There Were None*, where she stage managed. She is so thrilled to be in yet another production with Mad Artists' Entertainment and hopes everyone enjoys the show!

WHO'S WHO



Arden Patterson

as Mickey

Arden is so thrilled to be a part of *Damn Yankees* with Mad Artists' Entertainment! Arden has been performing in musical theater for nearly six years now and she looks forward to many more. Her most recent credits include Dallas Theater's *The Wizard of Oz* (Ensemble/ Tree/Jitterbug). Off the stage, you can find Arden laughing obnoxiously with her friends, drawing on her Ipad, singing any song that pops into her head, and talking about *The Phantom of the Opera*. Arden would like to thank her friends and family for always supporting and encouraging her passion for theater, and the crew at Mad Artists' for making this show possible! Arden hopes you have as much fun watching the show as she has being in it!



Logan Williams

as Lowe

Logan Williams is a 15 year old homeschooler who partakes in activities such as drums, Dungeons and Dragons, and video games. Throughout his life he has dabbled in teching for and occasionally acting in plays & musicals. He was last seen as in the Mad Artists' original production *The Teller* (Slite). He and his older sister, Sarah Williams, are often known as a package deal, as they both work at Publix and commonly are in plays together!

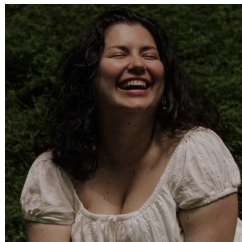


Thomas Standard

as Commissioner

Tom Standard is excited to make his Mad Artists' debut! He is no stranger to the stage, appearing in *Juilation's Will Rogers Follies*, *Seussical*, *Singin' in the Rain*, *Oklahoma!*, *South Pacific* (Stewpot), *Guys & Dolls* (Arvide Abernathy), *Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (Baker), *Godspell*, *Honk!* (Turkey), *Once Upon a Mattress* (Prince Dauntless), *Oliver*, *Annie* (Bert Healy), and *Hunchback of Notre Dame*. He would like to thank his amazing parents Gina & Phil for their support and sacrifices, as well as family and friends, Mamma Les and Papa RASN, cast, and production team for an amzing experience!

CREW WHO'S WHO



Samantha Kuzian

Director

Samantha has been acting and performing for over 20 years. A few of her favorite credits include *Zombie Prom* (Delilah Strict), *Beauty and the Beast* (Mrs. Potts), and *Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Rona Lisa Peretti). She is the Technical Director for MAE, and is very excited to bring this show to life with MAE!



Shannon Champion

Choreographer

Shannon has been dancing since 2001 and choreographing since 2016. She has choreographed shows for Wonder Playhouse, Cornerstone Preparatory Academy, North Cobb Christian School, Reinhardt University, and the Grand Theater. When she's not dancing, she's working as an emergency department RN. She has enjoyed working with Mad Artists' Entertainment and loves the cast and crew. She would like to thank her husband for being her most willing dance partner!



Danielle Lorentz

Music Director

Danielle has been the Chief Music Director and Production Manager for Mad Artists' since its founding in 2020, and has been acting and performing in professional theatre since she was 11. She has been seen most recently in *Next to Normal* (Natalie Goodman), *Arsenic and Old Lace* (Elaine), *And Then There Were None* (Vera), and *Bring It On* (Eva). Behind the scenes, she has worked in a myriad of technical positions in both professional and community theatre, including Makeup Designer, Music Director, Writer and Director. She also works as an audiobook narrator, voiceover artist, and voice teacher.

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