

**HAMMOND THEATRE PRESENTS**

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**FREAKY  
FRIDAY**  
*A NEW MUSICAL*

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**Book by  
Bridget Carpenter**

**Music by  
Tom Kitt**

**Lyrics by  
Brian Yorkey**

Based on the novel *Freaky Friday* by  
**MARY RODGERS**



**March 3-5, 2022**

# Directors' Notes

I have a confession to make...I was a really snotty teenager. You know the kind--they think they know everything, their parents are totally clueless, and life is full of drama! I'd like to publicly apologize to my mom because she bore the brunt of it. Now I eagerly await my daughters' arrival in adolescence (wish me luck!).

What I love about this show is that it makes the metaphorical literal: walking in another's shoes (high heels and Converse) actually happens for a full day. Theatre forces us to see things from another's perspective; by being others, we learn more about who we are or who we want to be.

Like the 24 hours leading up to Katherine Blake's wedding, this production has been a roller coaster. We have endured illness, winter weather, changing protocols, and a very leaky right wing. We made it through with sheer determination, creative problem solving, and the ability to laugh at the absurd. To steal (and slightly edit) some awesome song titles from this show, I'd like to proclaim to my amazing cast, crew, and production team: I "Vow" to you that "We've Got This!" Also, if the bananas on closing night get out of control, remember "Somebody Has Got to Take the Blame."

- Lauren Tobiason

# Acknowledgments

We are grateful to the administrative and custodial teams for their essential support.

We would also like to thank:

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- Rachel England for the trailer
- Sarah Lynn Nibber for acting insights
- Jonathan Hawkins for assistance with sound
- The performing arts departments at Hammond for their support and flexibility
- Theatre department families for generously donating their time and energy

**In consideration of the performers and the audience, cell phone use and flash photography during the performance are prohibited. No food or drink is allowed in the auditorium (water is acceptable).**

**Please turn off all cell phones prior to the start of the show!**

# Production Team

**DIRECTOR/PRODUCER** | Mrs. Lauren Tobiason

**VOCAL DIRECTOR** | Mr. Malcolm Washington

**TECHNICAL DIRECTOR** | Mr. Donald Chiarella

**CONDUCTOR** | Mr. TJ Lukacsina

**CHOREOGRAPHER** | Ms. Alex Krebs

**PRODUCTION ASSISTANT** | Mr. Patrick Burns

**ASSISTANT CHOREOGRAPHERS** | Becca Becraft, Rachel England, Julia Steinberg

**STAGE MANAGER** | Carter Rakestraw

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR** | Kennedy Grant

**ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGERS** | Megan Martin, Kelly Kujawa

**COSTUME COORDINATORS** | Rachel England, Ché Arrington

## Act I

**Just One Day:** Ellie, Katherine, Company

**I Got This:** Katherine, Ellie, Adam, Savannah, Students

**What You Got:** Katherine, Torrey, Danielle, Louis

**Oh, Biology:** Ellie, Students

**Vows:** Mike

**Busted:** Ellie, Katherine, Company

**Somebody Has Got to Take the Blame:** Katherine, Ellie, Dr. Ehrin, Señor O'Brien,  
Ms. Luckenbill

**Shopping' With My Mom:** Fletcher

**Watch Your Back:** Ms. Meyers, Ellie, Students

**Drivin' With My Mom:** Fletcher

**Parents Lie:** Katherine

**Just One Day (Reprise):** Company

**- 15 MINUTE INTERMISSION -**

## Act II

**I'm Not Myself Today:** Katherine, Ellie, Torrey

**Women and Sandwiches:** Adam, Fletcher

**Bring My Baby (Brother) Home:** Ellie, Officers, Katherine, Mike, Adam

**Go:** Adam, Ellie, Katherine, Company

**After All of This and Everything:** Katherine

**No More Fear:** Ellie

**Today and Ev'ry Day:** Ellie, Katherine

**Epilogue:** Company

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# The Cast

ELLIE BLAKE

KATHERINE BLAKE

MIKE

FLETCHER BLAKE

ADAM

TORREY

GRETCHEN

HANNAH

SAVANNAH

MRS. MEYERS/OFFICER SITZ

MR. BLUMEN/SEÑOR O'BRIEN

DR. EHRIN/OFFICER KOWALSKI

GRANDMA HELENE/ADAM'S MOM

GRANDPA GORDON

MS. LUCKENBILL/GRETCHEN'S MOM

DANIELLE/SAVANNAH'S MOM

LOUIS/PARKER

PASTOR BRUNO

WELLS

LAUREL

FISH VENDOR

CATER WAITER

MRS. TIME

SECURITY GUARD

Jenna Dodge

Marlee Hunter

Michael McDonald

Gertie Vance

Deacon Sweeting

Emani Jones

Kaelyn Baggett

Maggie Vance

Natalie Wilder

Carter Jones

Riley Woodward

Cameron Cole

Julia Steinberg

Sebastian Hurt

Kayleigh MacLean

Rachel England

Matthew Dietrich

Gabriel Porter

Alexander Finger

Majolie Tall

Isabel Moskov

Julianna Maxa

Mr. Patrick Burns

Ms. Samantha Filipiak

Mrs. Andrea Dickie

Samantha Biggs

Marshieh Johnson

Mr. Andrew Dicus

## Ensemble

Abigail Khakali  
Agape Ajuwon  
Cynthia Wachira  
Deborah Asomuyide  
Gabriel Porter  
Isabel Moskov  
Julianna Maxa  
Majolie Tall  
Mia Addo  
Mikayla Powell

## Understudies

ELLIE BLAKE	Deborah Asomuyide
KATHERINE BLAKE	Kaelyn Baggett
MIKE	Matthew Dietrich
FLETCHER BLAKE	Mikayla Powell
ADAM	Riley Woodward
GRETCHEN & HANNAH	Cynthia Wachira
SAVANNAH	Abigail Khakali

# The Crew

## Sound

Anika Alston  
Farhan Aslam  
Katherine Johnson  
Melina Guth\*  
Naima Wolfe\*  
Sophia Tran  
Zaire Johnson  
Zoe Schneider

## Construction/Paint

Amanda Nobil  
Annika Vallurupalli  
Cal Harrison  
Caroline Schreier  
Catherine Ijams  
Katelyn Reyes  
Maggie Vance  
Robin Liao\*  
Sarina Condon\*  
Preston Edwards

## Costumes

Ava Bell  
Ayla Kickhofel  
Julia Steinberg  
Jacquie Somerville  
Rachel England\*  
Sarah Oyemade

## Lights

Bert Roberts  
Jason Blanco\*  
Naode Gaim  
Taylor Lin

\*denotes Crew Head

## CandyGrams

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# Biographies

**ALEX FINGER** (Wells) is a sophomore at Hammond High School and this will be his first production at Hammond High School. Alex enjoys singing and working with others.

**CAMERON COLE** (Dr. Ehrin/Officer Kowalski) is a sophomore in his first theatre production at Hammond. In his free time, you can find him going on runs or reading books. He hopes you enjoy the show !

**CARTER JONES** (Ms. Meyers) is a senior this year ending his high school theatre career strong with the character of Ms. Meyers. This is his 16th production. He has enjoyed theatre since elementary school and cannot wait for another performance with the amazing Hammond High theatre team. He is looking forward to continuing with acting and singing in college and beyond!

**CARTER RAKESTRAW** (Stage Manager) is a junior at Hammond this year. He would like to thank Mrs. Tobiason, Mr. Chiarella, and most importantly -- Mr. Burns!!

**CYNTHIA WACHIRA** (Student, U/S Gretchen) is mostly focused on her work and finishing the year strong with high grades! However she would like to grow more, try and make new friends in the show.

**DEACON SWEETING** (Adam), a senior at Hammond, is grateful to be participating in his fifth, and final, performance with the department. Throughout high school, he has been dedicated to theatre, involved with Dramastics, International Thespian Honor Society, and has been in theatre classes all four years. He has had an amazing time over the years and hopes that you enjoy this performance. [linktr.ee/DeaconFrost](http://linktr.ee/DeaconFrost)

**DEBORAH ASOMUYIDE** (Student, U/S Ellie) is a freshman who is excited to be part of her second production at Hammond. She hopes you enjoy this wonderful musical and she is looking forward to being in more musicals to come.

**EMANI JONES** (Torrey) is excited and nervous about doing her first Hammond High production. This being her last year at the school, she thought it would be fun to do this for herself. She hopes you'll like the show and her performance along with her fellow cast members.

**GABRIEL PORTER** (Pastor Bruno, Cater Waiter) is a junior who is excited to be in another production at Hammond. He has had lots of fun being part of the theatre family and hopes the audience loves the show.

**GBEMIRO AGAPE AJUWON** (Student) is a freshman and she is really excited for her first ever play! She loves that she gets to work with an amazing cast, and she hopes that everyone enjoys the play.

**GERTIE VANCE** (Fletcher Blake), is a Junior and this is her fourth production with Hammond. She is very excited to work with this amazing cast and crew who have worked so incredibly hard. She hopes you enjoy the show!

**ISABEL MOSKOV** (Fish Vendor, Cater Waiter) is currently a senior at Hammond. She is excited to be in her sixth and last show here! She has grown so much during her four years participating in the theatre department, and is glad she's been a part of it.

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**JENNA DODGE** (Ellie Blake) is a Freshman in her second Hammond production and has been doing theatre for five years. She has loved working with this amazing cast, crew, and production team!

**JULIA STEINBERG** (Grandma Helene, Adam's Mom, Student, Asst. Choreographer) is excited to be in her 5th Hammond production as a junior. She is grateful for the opportunity to explore both acting and choreography, and hopes you enjoy the show!

**JULIANNA MAXA** (Cater Waiter) is a sophomore at Hammond. She enjoyed participating in Dramastics last year. She is happy to be participating in her first Hammond production.

**KAELYN BAGGETT** (Gretchen, U/S Katherine) is in her first Hammond production, and she is thrilled for you to see the dedication her and her friends have put into this amusing and inspiring show!

**KAYLEIGH MACLEAN** (Mrs. Luckenbill) is super excited to be involved with *Freaky Friday* as her first Hammond musical, and has loved working with so many awesome people!

**KELLY KUJAWA** (Assistant Stage Manager) is happy to be a part of her fifth production with Hammond Theatre. She hopes you enjoy the show. P.S. Custodians rock!

**KENNEDY GRANT** (Assistant Director) is assistant directing for the first time for a Hammond High Theatre department production. She thanks Mrs. Tobiason and the rest of the production team for all the guidance she has received.

**MAGGIE VANCE** (Hannah) is a junior who loves acting and tech crew. She is excited to be part of her fourth show at Hammond and would like to thank her teachers and peers for helping her feel so at home in the theatre department.

**MAJOLIE TALL** (Laurel) is very happy and proud with the progress and efforts made by herself and the cast and crew. She is excited to see the results of their hard work!

**MARLEE HUNTER** (Katherine) is a senior and is thrilled to be in her second Hammond Theatre production. She's so proud of how hard the cast and crew has worked this year, especially given the Covid restrictions and countless snow days they've experienced. Marlee is so grateful for the support she's received from her friends and family, and hopes everyone enjoys the show!

**MATTHEW DIETRICH** (Louis/Parker), a junior at Hammond, is excited to participate in his fifth production in the theatre department. He is thankful to perform back in person and hopes you enjoy the show.

**MEGAN MARTIN** (Assistant Stage Manager) spends way too much time at the school. They are very excited to work on the production team for the first time and to see how the show will turn out.

**MIA ADDO** (Savannah's Follower/Student) is a junior who is thrilled to be a part of her second musical at Hammond. She is appreciative of the friendships she has made throughout the production process.

**MICHAEL MCDONALD** (Mike) is a senior and is in his sixth and final theatre production. He is grateful for the friendships and the opportunities to make memories together on stage.

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**NATALIE WILDER** (Savannah) is a junior, and has adored working with such wonderful cast members and directors. This is her first production at Hammond, and she hopes you enjoy the show!

**SEBASTIAN HURT** (Grandpa) is excited to take part in his first Hammond musical. He loves this cast and has had a blast rehearsing this play.

**RACHEL ENGLAND** (Danielle / Savannah's Mom / Assistant Choreographer), a senior, is thrilled and sad to be in her fifth and last Hammond show, you may have seen her as Mrs. Savage in the fall 2021 production. She is a dedicated person with a passion for the arts. She appreciates everyone involved in the show and has loved the experience. Enjoy the show!

**RILEY WOODWARD** (Snr. O'Brien / Mr. Blumen / Wells's Dad) is a junior and this is his second musical at Hammond. He thanks the cast, crew, and production team for the opportunity to work on the musical after the pandemic.







**Congratulations to the cast and  
crew of  
Freaky Friday!  
Break a Leg!**

Mrs. Ferraro

**SHOUT OUTS!**

**Go Marlee and cast mates. You make us proud.**

**So amazed at your many talents, Marlee Hunter! We love you!  
- The Obering Family**

**For Marlee Hunter: Break a leg! Grandma and Grandpa Sechrist are  
so proud of your motivation and talent! Best of luck!**

**Many thanks to the HCPSS Print Shop for these beautiful programs!  
- Hammond Theatre**

**Go, Cousin Teensy, go! Belt like it is a rocking karaoke New Year's  
Eve! Love you!  
- Addison & Weston**

**Kelly, we are so proud of all your hard work in theatre! You've been  
behind the scenes and on the stage, and have done great at both!  
- Mom & Dad**

**Congratulations Jenna - so proud of your hard work this year!  
"You GOT THIS"**

**Thank you so much Mrs. Tobiason, Mr. Washington, Mr. Chiarella,  
Ms. Krebs, Mr. Burns, and the entire production team - your hard  
work and dedication is so appreciated! Hammond Theatre rocks!**

**Congrats to the whole Freaky Friday cast and crew! Special shout-  
out to Julia, Rachel, and Becca for their amazing choreography!  
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*Teensy!*

To our little Sharpay, who dreamed of  
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she was 4 years old: we are so proud of  
your dedication and hard work. Thank  
you for sharing your talent with us!

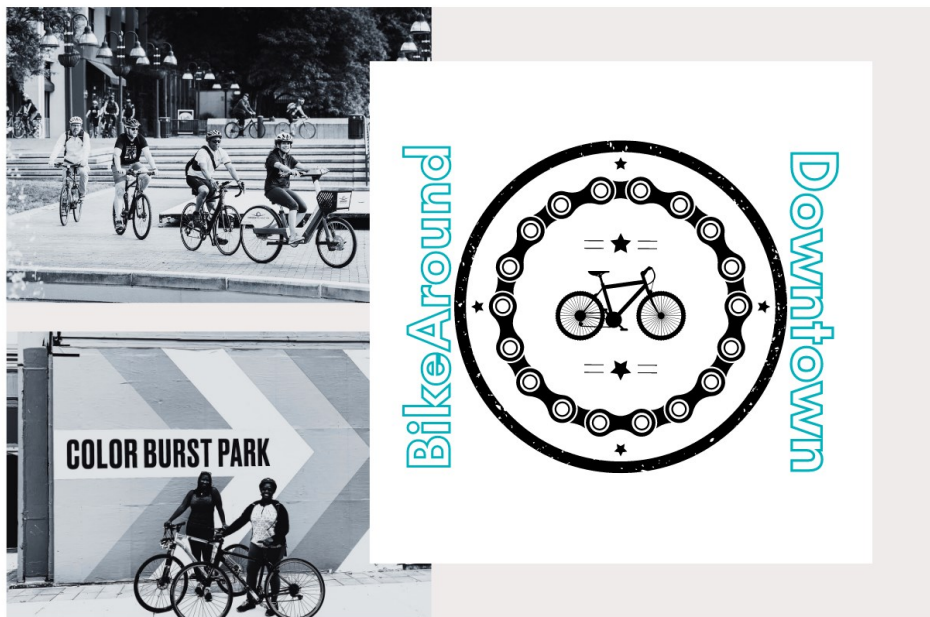
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