

Leon High School's Theatre Honors Class presents

STEEL magnolias

by ROBERT
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in the Leon High School Auditorium

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH: 7:00 pm V.J.P. Preview
PREVIEW NIGHT FOR HONORED STEEL MAGNOLIAS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH: 7:00 pm

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH: 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm

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Production Staff

THIS ENTIRE PRODUCTION WAS CREATED BY THE THEATRE 3&4 HONORS CLASS AT LEON HIGH SCHOOL. THIS CLASS IS AN ADVANCED CLASS FOR DISCIPLINED & FOCUSED THEATRE STUDENTS. THIS CLASS IS A PRODUCTION AND PERFORM ACED BASED CLASS AND THEY HAVE WORKED FOR 6 WEEKS TO PUT TOGETHER ALMOST EVERY ELEMENT THAT YOU SEE ON STAGE (AND THE ONES BEHIND THE SCENES AS WELL.)

DIRECTOR: LEA MARSHALL

STAGE MANAGER: CADEN WESSNER

LIGHTING DESIGNER: AMELIA COOPER

LIGHT BOARD OPERATOR: AMELIA COOPER

SET DESIGN: DEVIN KIMBER, JOHN MALLEY, TAIT TREADWELL,

TAVEION MICKENS, CARLIN QUINNELL

SOUND TECHNICIAN: JOHN MALLEY

PROPS: AJZONEE WILLIAMS, JORDAN JACKSON

COSTUMES: DESTINEE EAVES, JORDAN JACKSON

SET BUILDING AND PAINTING: DEVIN KIMBER, CARLIN QUINNELL,

TAIT TREADWELL, TAVEION MICKENS

HAIR & MAKEUP: EMILY TURKNETT, GRACE LENGACHER, CAITLYN BURKE,

ALI NEWPORT, MIA FORD-GREEN

PUBLICITY: PAYTEN MERLAU, TYLER JONES

MARKETING: PAYTEN MERLAU, TYLER JONES

INTERMISSION: PAYTEN MERLAU, KELSEY GILMORE, MIA FORD-GREEN, JESSICA JOHNSON

HOUSE MANAGERS: KENARA BROWN, JORDAN JACKSON

USHERS: HANNA BURDA, JOHN MALLEY, DEVIN KIMBER, TAVEION MICKENS

SPECIAL THANKS: MIKE MOCK, TABITHA PECK AND HER AMAZING TECHIES, THE WALLACE FAMILY, LAURA MCARTHUR, BILLY EPTING, SARAH HEMBREE, DESHONE HEDRINGTON, RICK ARDLEY, CLAIRE HAISTEN, DENA COUKOULIS, NAOMI ROSE-MOCK, PHIL CROTON, & ALL THE PARENTS WHO ENCOURAGE THEIR STUDENTS TO SHINE ON AND OFF STAGE!

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SETTING: TRUVY'S BEAUTY SHOP IN CHINQUAPIN PARISH, LOUISIANA.

ACT I

SCENE 1 SPRING 1985

SCENE 2 LATER IN THE YEAR, WINTER 1985

Intermission

ACT II

SCENE 1 EIGHTEEN MONTHS LATER, SUMMER 1986

SCENE 2 AUTUMN 1986

Cast List (in order of appearance)

ANNELLE (A) AUTUMN MAXWELL (B) SARAH BOGGS

TRUVY CAITLYN BURKE

CLAIREE ZIRA BROWN

SHELBY (A) MALORI WALLACE (B) ASHLEY CAMPBELL

M'LYNN (A) JESSICA JOHNSON (B) KELSEY GILMORE

OUISER TIA HUETTEL



Theatre 3 & 4 Honors Class

THIS IS *Jessica Johnson's* FIRST STRAIGHT PLAY AT LEON. SHE IS A SENIOR WHO HOPES TO ATTEND TCC AND THEN MOVE ON TO FSU. JESSICA WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE HER PERFORMANCE TO SEVERAL STEEL MAGNOLIAS: HER MOM, AND BOTH GRANDMOTHERS.



Amelia Cooper IS THE LIGHT DESIGNER AND MASTER ELECTRICIAN FOR STEEL MAGNOLIAS. THIS IS HER SECOND TIME LIGHT DESIGNING FOR A LEON SHOW, AND THE LAST SHOW SHE DESIGNED FOR WAS "TO KILL A MOCKING BIRD". AMELIA IS A MEMBER OF LEON'S TOP HONOR CHOIR, CAPITAL SINGERS AND SHE IS A THIRTEEN STAR NATIONAL HONOR THESPIAN. SHE IS A SENIOR THIS YEAR AND IN COLLEGE SHE IS GOING TO MAJOR IN TECHNICAL THEATRE. AND SHE IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AT FSU'S RUBY DIAMOND AUDITORIUM. SHE PLANS ON ONE DAY WORKING ON BROADWAY. SHE WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE HER WORK TO MRS. TABITHA HALL PECK, WHO HELPED HER DISCOVER HER PASSION AND SHE WOULD LIKE TO THANK MRS. PECK FOR HELPING BUILD HER INTO THE PERSON SHE IS TODAY.



Ashley Campbell IS AN ACTIVE JUNIOR AT LEON HIGH SCHOOL WHERE SHE IS INVOLVED IN THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT, THESPIAN HONOR SOCIETY, PIERIAN HONOR SOCIETY, KEY CLUB, MELODEARS, AND CAPITAL SINGERS. SHE HAS JUST RETURNED FROM A YEAR ABROAD IN MARIENHEIDE AND LOOPE, GERMANY, WHERE SHE BECAME A CERTIFIED FLUENT SPEAKER, AND SHE MADE HER GERMAN THEATRE DEBUT IN TENSING MARIENHEIDE'S SELF-WRITTEN SHOW, "CATCH ME IF YOU CAN". LOCALLY, SHE HAS MOST RECENTLY PERFORMED IN LEON HIGH SCHOOL'S "THE LITTLE MERMAID" AND "HARVEY" AS WELL AS QUINCY MUSIC THEATRE'S "PIRATES OF PENZANCE". SHE IS SO EXCITED TO BE A PART OF THIS SHOW AND WOULD LIKE TO THANK MRS. MARSHALL AND THE REST OF THE CAST AND CREW FOR MAKING THIS SUCH A MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE! SHE WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE HER PERFORMANCE TO HER GREAT-GRANDMOTHER, FREDA DEGROFF, AKA MAMA FOR BEING HER BEST FRIEND AND A TRUE STEEL MAGNOLIA.



Caden Wessner IS A LEON HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR AND HE IS ECSTATIC TO BE STAGE MANAGING FOR THE SECOND TIME. HE IS IN CAPITAL SINGERS, MADRIGALS, MANE EVENT, AND TEMPO. MOST RECENTLY HE HAS BEEN IN THE ENSEMBLE IN ANYTHING GOES AT QMT, A SOLDIER IN THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME, AND JEM IN TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD AT LEON HIGH SCHOOL. HE WOULD LIKE TO THANK HIS FAMILY, LEA MARSHALL, TABITHA PECK, THE PRODUCTION CREW AND CAST, HIS GERBILS BOB AND ROSS, AND HIS DOG SIMBA. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DEDICATE THE SHOW TO HIS OWN, PERSONAL STEEL MAGNOLIAS, HIS MOTHER SUSAN WESSNER AND GRAND MOTHER KATHY BOLLING.

Hanna Burda IS A SENIOR AT LEON HIGH SCHOOL AND THRILLED TO BE BACK IN THEATRE CLASS FOR HER LAST YEAR AT LHS. SHE HAS BEEN IN LEON'S SUMMER MUSICALS: "PHANTOM OF THE OPERA", "LITTLE MERMAID", AND "THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME", ALL DIRECTED BY THE AMAZING NAOMI ROSE-MOCK. HANNA WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THESE "STEEL MAGNOLIAS" IN HER LIFE, WHO CONTINUE TO INSPIRE HER EVERY DAY: AIDE WHITAKER, BARBARA BURDA, AND ADRIAN FOGELIN.



Mia Ford-Green IS A JUNIOR AT LEON AND THIS IS HER SIXTH SHOW AT LEON. MIA WAS APART OF "PROSPECT HIGH: BROOKLYN", "ANTIGONE", "TO KILL A MOCKING BIRD", "A MIDSUMMER NIGHTS DREAM" AND "THE HUNCHBACK OF NORTE DAME". MIA IS ALSO HEAVILY INVOLVED IN THESPIANS AND SHE WOULD LIKE THANK HER FORMER THEATRE TEACHERS FOR PUSHING HER TO STEP OUT OF HER COMFORT ZONE TO DO THE BEST SHE CAN ON STAGE.

Sarah Boggs IS SO EXCITED TO BE RETURNING TO THE LEON STAGE FOR HER FIFTH TIME! RECENTLY, SHE HAS BEEN SEEN AS A GARGOYLE, IN LEON'S "THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME", MAID #1 IN LEON'S "THE LITTLE MERMAID", THE IL MUTO AND DON JUAN FEATURED ENSEMBLES IN LEON'S "THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA", AND AS A DAUGHTER IN LEON'S "FIDDLER ON THE ROOF". SARAH WOULD LIKE TO THANK HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR SUPPORTING HER, AND HER TEACHERS, MRS. MARSHALL, MRS. PECK, DR. CONNORS, NAOMI ROSE-MOCK, AND WARREN HALSTROM, FOR MAKING HER THE PERFORMER SHE IS TODAY! HER PERFORMANCE TODAY IS DEDICATED TO HER MOTHER, WHO HAS BEEN SUCH AN INCREDIBLE ROLE MODEL, AND WHO HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED HER (EVEN THROUGH HER CRAZY REHEARSAL SCHEDULES!).



Kelsey Gilmore STARTED THEATRE IN THE 9TH GRADE AND HAS BEEN A PART OF NUMEROUS LEON PRODUCTIONS SUCH AS: "DEARLY DEPARTED", "HARVEY", "PROSPECT HIGH", "PHANTOM OF THE OPERA", "ANTIGONE", "A MIDSUMMERS NIGHTS DREAM", "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD", "THE HUNCHBACK OF NORTE DAME", ETC. KELSEY IS CURRENTLY A SENIOR AND WOULD LIKE TO THANK HER PREVIOUS AND PRESENT THEATRE TEACHERS FOR INSPIRING HER AND HER PARENTS WILLIAM AND LISA GILMORE FOR SUPPORTING HER.

Destinee Caves IS A SENIOR IN HIGH SCHOOL AND IS HEAVILY INVOLVED WITH THESPIANS. SHE LOVES WHAT SHE DOES AND SHE ALSO WANT TO THANK HER FORMER AND PRESENT THEATRE TEACHERS AND HER CURRENT THEATER PALS FOR PUSHING HER OVER AND BEYOND.



Ali Newport HAS BEEN DOING SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY THEATRE SINCE MIDDLE SCHOOL. SHE HAS BEEN IN YOUNG ACTORS THEATRE FOR NINE YEARS AND BEEN APART OF LEON THESPIANS FOR TWO. SHE WAS A PART OF STEEL MAGNOLIA'S HAIR AND MAKEUP CREW.

THIS IS *Kenara Brown's* FIRST TIME BEING APART OF A STAGE CREW. SHE LOVES BEING APART OF LEON'S THEATRE DEPARTMENT AND THIS YEAR SHE IS IN MRS MARSHALL'S 3/4 HONORS CLASS. KENARA DEDICATES HER LOVE OF THEATRE TO HER MOTHER WHO IS A STRONG WOMAN LIKE MANY OF THE LADIES IN THIS SHOW.



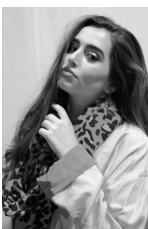
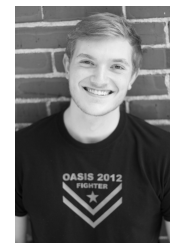
Tyler Jones IS IN MANE EVENT, CAPITAL SINGERS, MADRIGAL SINGERS, THESPIAN TROUPE 1429, AND HIS 3RD YEAR OF THEATRE AT LEON! HE DEDICATES HIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE SHOW TO MRS. MARSHALL. HE IS PROUD TO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THIS SHOW AND WISHES THE CASTS THE BEST OF LUCK IN PERFORMING THIS SHOW! HE LOVES YOU ALL!

Grace Lengacher IS SO EXCITED TO BE DOING HAIR AND MAKEUP FOR STEEL MAGNOLIAS. SHE HAS PREVIOUSLY DESIGNED THE MAKEUP FOR FROLLO, ESMERALDA, AND CLOPIN IN "HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME", URSULA, FLOTSAM, AND JETSAM IN "THE LITTLE MERMAID", THE CARLOTTA IN "PHANTOM OF THE OPERA", AND THE CAST OF "BYE BYE BIRDIE". SHE'S VERY HAPPY TO BE TAKING A LITTLE BREAK FROM BEING ONSTAGE HERSELF. SHE WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE HER MOM, JULIE, AS A STEEL MAGNOLIA SINCE SHE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A FIGURE OF STRENGTH, LOVE, AND PERSEVERANCE FOR GRACE.



Tait Treadwell IS A JUNIOR IN CHARGE OF SET DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION. HE'S BEEN IN THEATRE SINCE 6TH GRADE. LAST YEAR HE PLAYED AGELOS IN "ANTIGONE" AND DILL IN "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD". HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DEDICATE ALL HIS HARD WORK TO WILMA BEANE, TAIT'S GRANDMOTHER WHO IS ALWAYS WORKING SO HARD FOR THE FAMILY.

Devin Kimber IS A SOPHMORE AT LEON HIGH SCHOOL AND HAS BEEN IN THEATRE 5 YEARS. HE HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN MANY SHOWS SUCH AS "THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE" AND "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD" AND SEVERAL OTHERS. OFF THE STAGE HE IS ACTIVELY A PART OF 2 CHURCHES ONE OF WHICH HE IS THE WORSHIP LEADER AT. I NOMINATE MY MOM, JENNY KIMBER, AS MY STEEL MAGNOLIA BECAUSE SHE HAS BEEN SUCH A STRONG SUPPORTIVE WOMAN IN MY LIFE.



Tia Huettel HAS BEEN ACTING SINCE FIRST GRADE WHEN SHE PLAYED THE ROLE OF 'PIGLET #3' IN THE FAIRY TALE "FLORENZA". HER NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS INCLUDE PLACING THIRD IN THE 6TH GRADE FAIRVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL SPELLING BEE, AND EATING AN ENTIRE BLOCK OF CHEDDAR IN ONE SITTING. SHE WILL PROBABLY BE RICH AND FAMOUS WHEN SHE IS OLDER. TIA WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DEDICATE HER PERFORMANCE TO BERNIE SANDERS.