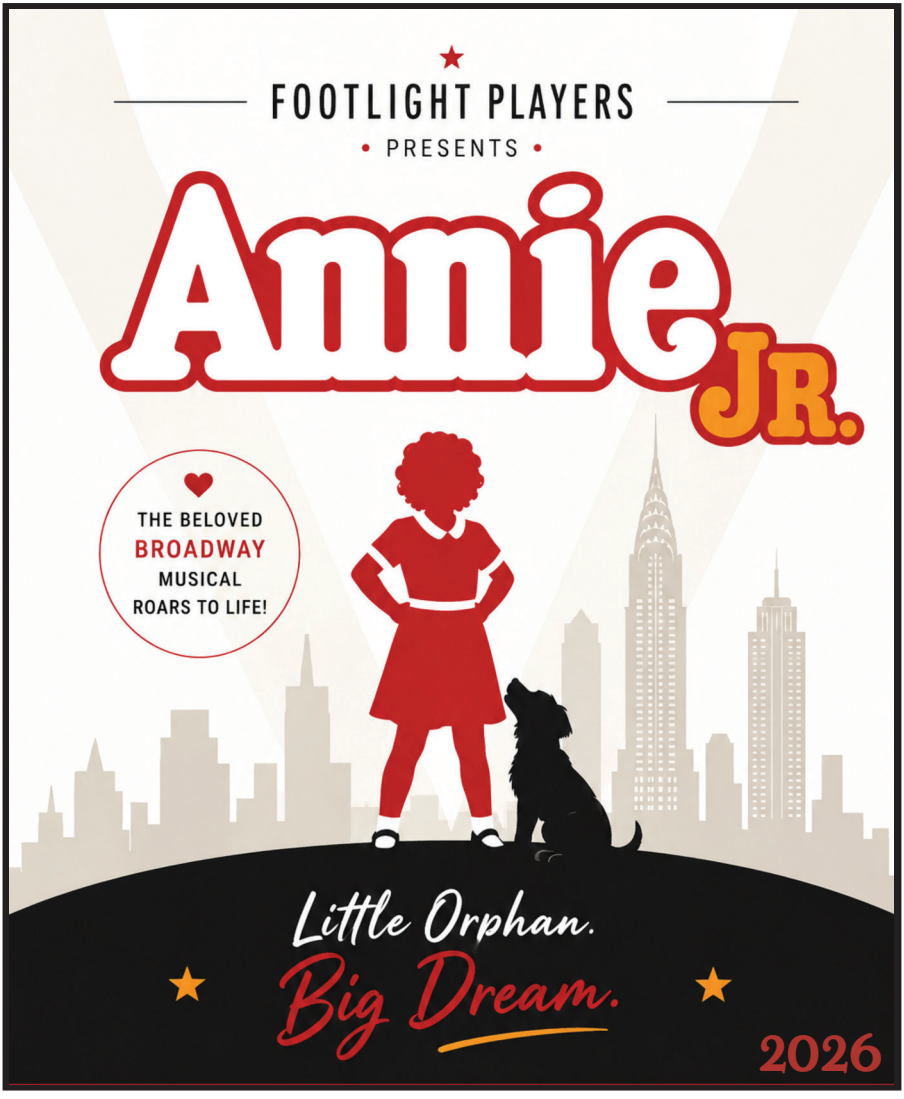
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THE COMMUNITY FOOTLIGHT PLAYERS
OF LA GRANGE PARK



The Community Park District

Footlight Players

La Grange Park



Directed by:
Ben Sulzberger

Music/Sound Design
Joey Calumet

Choreographed by:
Michele Ritacco

A special thanks to
all of our fantastic volunteers



Oh My Goodness Cast

Molly .....Maddie.Cunningham
Tessie .....Vivi Guzman
July .....Lux Baeza
Annie .....Louisa Holmes
Bundles McCloskey .....Kenny Graves
Dog Catcher ..... Violet Cardenas
Officer Ward .....Sam Creps
Drake ..... Griffin Ritter
Annette ..... Bridey Kaufmann
Mrs. Pugh ..... Kearra Pearce
Usherette ..... Grace Arcuri
Louis Howe .....Otis Boldon
Lily ..... Sofia Kader
Sound Effects Man ..... Austin Guerrieri
Star-to-Be ..... Holiday Boldon
Kate ..... Greta Boldon
Pepper .....Pepper Pritchett
Duffy .....Violet Edgeworth
Miss Hannigan .....Scarlett Chambers
Apple Seller ..... Elliot Hein
Sandy .....Ava Miller
Grace Farrell .....Karin McCarthy-Foubert
Cecille .....Layne Chobot
Mrs. Greer ..... Alexis Cotton
Oliver Warbucks ..... Atticus Hein
Cop/Police Officer ..... Blake Fox
Rooster .....Dylan Lindstrom
Bert Healy ..... Thomas Chambers
President Roosevelt/Man ..... Ben McGinn
Orphans .....Colleen O'Neill, Gwen Coia
Maisy Curran, Charlotte Cahill
Servants .....Addie Januszyk, Lucy Novak
Lily Carey, Kaethe Liese Hopfinger
Teddy Chambers, Lulu Matthews
New Yorker ..... Rylee Januszyk, Clare Kerr, Wren Garland
Nora Nye, Teddy Elinoff, Millie Elinoff
Archer Ritter, Lily Lauksmen, Sophie Luna

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Grace Acuri (Usherette)
Grace is excited to be part of the Annie cast! This is her 7th show with Footlight. In her free time, she enjoys dancing and hanging out with her friends. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support and the directors for bringing this show to life. She hopes you enjoy the show!!



Lux Baeza (July)
Lux is excited for her first show with Footlight Players! This has been a fun experience and incredible outlet for creativity. In her free time, Lux enjoys shows drawing, exploring bookstores, and watching crime shows. Thank you for joining us and enjoy the show!



Greta Boldon (Kate)
Greta is excited to be in her sixth Footlight Players performance! You may recognize Greta from the Wizard of Oz, Matilda Jr., Legally Blonde Jr., Beetlejuice Jr., and Peter Pan Jr. In her time off, Greta enjoys practicing Karate, drawing, playing cello, playing and performing locally with her bass guitar, and reading her favorite books. Greta would like to thank her mom and dad for all their love and support, her sister Holiday, and brother Otis for helping her prepare for the performance.



Holiday Boldon (Star-to-Be)
Holiday is so excited to be in her seventh performance with Footlight Players! You may recognize Holiday as Dorothy Gale from the Wizard of Oz. She has also been in Into the Woods, the Addams Family, Matilda Jr., Legally Blonde Jr., Beetlejuice Jr., and Peter Pan Jr. In her spare time, Holiday enjoys singing and performing locally, and hanging out with her friends and family. She would like to thank her mom and dad for all their love and support, sister Greta for practicing dances with her, and brother Otis for practicing singing for the upcoming performance!



Otis Boldon (Louis Howe)
Otis is very excited to be in his fourth Footlight Players performance! You may also recognize Otis from the Wizard of Oz, Beetlejuice Jr., and Peter Pan Jr. In his spare time, Otis enjoys playing baseball, playing with his friends and sisters, singing and performing locally, and playing video games. Otis would like to thank his mom, dad, and two sisters for helping him practice and prepare for this performance.



Charlotte Cahill (Orphan)
Charlotte Cahill is excited to be a part of her first production! She has been dancing since she was 3 years old. She loves music, singing, and attending anything at the theater!

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Violet Cardenas (Dog Catcher)
Violet Cardenas is a 6th grader excited to be performing in her fourth Footlight production! Her past roles include Red in Red Riding Hood, Tiger Lily in Peter Pan, and the March Hare in Alice in Wonderland. Outside of theater, she participates in Show Choir, plays electric guitar with School of Rock, creates and sells crafts, and makes videos for her YouTube channel, Vi Time. She thanks her family, teachers, and friends for their continued support!



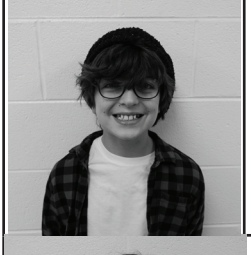
Lily Carey (Servant)
Lily Carey is excited to be appearing in her first musical! She loves singing, dancing, acting, tumbling, swimming, and volleyball. Lily is in second grade and hopes to be a paleontologist one day. She is also a proud big sister to Cullen and Lucy. She hopes everyone enjoys the show!



Scarlett Chambers (Miss Hannigan)
Scarlett is thrilled to play Ms. Hannigan in Annie Jr.! Favorite roles include A Christmas Carol, Cinderella, Seussical Jr., and Once Upon a Mattress. She plays flute, piano, and guitar, sings, dances, and competes in show choir. Thanks to her family, friends, directors, and teachers!



Teddy Chambers (Servant)
Teddy is thrilled to return to Footlight for Annie, Jr. after playing a Lost Boy in Peter Pan, Jr. and a clone/sandworm in Beetlejuice, Jr. A 2nd grader at Brook Park, he loves basketball, kickball, reading, and drawing. Special thanks to his family, friends, and amazing directors!



Thomas Chambers (Bert Healy)
Thomas is excited to play Bert Healy in Annie, Jr.! Previous roles include the Cat in The Cat in the Hat and the Cigar Mobster in Beetlejuice Jr. A sixth grader and aspiring filmmaker, Thomas loves creating, drawing, reading, and inventing in his mind palace!



Layne Chobot (Cecille)
Layne Chobot is an 8th grade student at S.E. Gross. She's been performing with Footlight since 2018. Her favorite roles include the Tin Man and Thing 2 in Seussical. When she's not performing she likes hanging out with her friends and being a goalie in soccer. Shout out to her family and directors!

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Gwen Coia (Orphan)
Gwen is a 6th grader at Forest Road Elementary School. She loves children and babysitting. She is involved in soccer, softball, and is excited about joining volleyball. This is Gwen's first theatrical performance, and she's looking forward to showing off her singing, dancing, and tumbling skills.



Alexis Cotton (Mrs. Greer)
Footlight has brought Lexi back to her favorite place: the stage! When she's not pretending to dust, she's busy with acting classes, voice lessons, and SEG's Show Choir. Lexi is thrilled to perform with old friends and new, and sends a huge thank you to Footlight and her trusty team of weekend chauffeurs!



Sam Creps (Officer Ward)
Sam is 37 years old and is thrilled to be celebrating his 15th year with Footlight. He loves butter and trash cans!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Madleine Cunningham (Molly)
This is Maddie's second show with the Footlight Players, and she's so happy to be part of it. Maddie also loves making jewelry, dance class, Girl Scouts, and her friends



Maisy Curran (Orphan)
Maisy is excited to be an orphan in Annie Jr., her 1st musical. Her favorite song is "It's The Hard-Knock Life." She's a 3rd grader who loves soccer, art and her pet gecko, Alex. Maisy wants to thank her sister & brother for their support. She also thanks everyone who helped make this show possible!



Violet Edgeworth (Duffy)
Hello! This is my 5th production with Footlight Players and I am so eager to put our performance on for all of you! I am 11 and do MMA and track and I LOVE art. I am so thankful for our directors and the people who support me. Enjoy the show!

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Millie Elinoff (New Yorker)
This is Millie's first performance and she is loving every minute of it. Millie is in 1st grade at Forest Road Elementary, home of the Roadrunners. Although she yearned for the role of Annie, she has embraced her part as a New Yorker. In her free time, Millie enjoys drawing, Taekwondo, and showing her two older brothers who is boss. She has loved making so many new friends during this show.



Teddy Elinoff (New Yorker)
This is Teddy's second show with the company. He is in 6th grade at Forest Road Elementary and is enjoying being a big fish in a small pond. Teddy likes playing Dungeons and Dragons, reading about historical events, and expanding his collection of Star Wars Lego sets - specifically Clone Troopers. Teddy would like to thank his parents for their support.



Blake Fox (Cop/Police Officer)
Blake is excited to return to the stage for his second theater production! As a sixth grader at Forest Road, he loves bringing these stories to life with his cast mates. When Blake isn't rehearsing, you can find him biking around the neighborhood with friends, learning a new sport or playing video games. Enjoy the show!



Wren Garland (New Yorker)
Wren is eight years old and in the third grade. She enjoys making art, playing the flute and singing. This is Wren's third musical with Footlight Players and she's so excited to be in Annie Jr. with her friends!



Kenny Graves (Bundles McCloskey)
Kenny has enjoyed his last 4 years as a member of Footlight! His favorite roles include Mr. Wormwood in Matilda, The Scarecrow in the Wizard of Oz and Horton the Elephant in Seussical! He's also the drummer in his school's rock band, Chess Club, Robotics, Drama & President of Student Council.



Austin Guerrieri (Sound Effects Man)
Austin is very exited for his fourth show with Footlight Players. Outside of acting he likes to play hockey and hang out with his friends.

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Vivi Guzman (Tessie)
Oh my goodness! Viv could not be happier to be back on stage for the 7th time with Footlight Players! Off the stage, you can find Viv spending time with friends and family, playing Zelda, or reading. Viv would like to say thank you to everyone who helped make Annie happen. Enjoy the show!



Atticus Hein (Oliver Warbucks)
Atticus is excited to be performing his 7th show with Footlight, Annie Jr! His past shows have been Wizard of Oz, Starmites, Finding Nemo, Singing in the Rain, Beetlejuice, Peter Pan, Moana, Once on This Island, and more! When not onstage you can find him drumming, singing, composing music, or doing insane amounts of homework. He thanks Ben, Joey, and Michele for their continued support through his theater journey and his family for their love and support. Enjoy the show!



Elliot Hein (Apple Seller)
Elliot is so excited to return to the stage for FLP's performance of Annie Jr! He has also performed in Peter Pan Jr and Seussical. When not on stage, Elliot can be found playing soccer, adventuring with Scouts, or reading Stephen King novels. He wants to thank Ben, Michele, and Joey for their guidance and send his love to his parents and brother for their constant support.



Louisa Holmes (Annie)
Louisa Holmes is thrilled to be a part of Footlight and the Annie Jr. cast! When not wearing a red wig, Louisa loves to sing, dance, cheer, and vibe with her leopard gecko - Cappuccino. Louisa loves the hard knock life of 6th grade and someday wants to be on Broadway...maybe...tomorrow...



Kaethe Liese Hopfinger (Servant)
Oh My Goodness, Kaethe is thrilled to be in her 3rd FP production! Never fully dressed without a smile, Kaethe shines like the top of the Chrysler Building when she's on stage. Maybe far away, but Kaethe hopes to continue signing and dancing with the love of her family and Dumb Dog, Darcy.



Addison Januszyk (Servant)
Addie loves performing in theater, and has been a part of many shows, including Alice in Wonderland, Finding Nemo, Moana, Once Upon a Mattress, Wizard of Oz, Red Riding Hood and Music Man. Addie loves to bake and her favorite sport is softball. In her free time when she's not reading or solving fun math puzzles, you will likely find her dreaming up new ideas for her business, Addie's Wonderful Workshop. She is a clever kid who loves to stay busy and create!

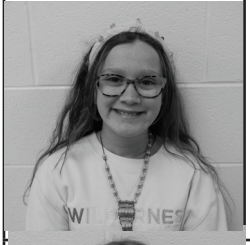
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Rylee Januszyk (New Yorker)
Rylee is a joyful and magnetic kid who plays the part of a New Yorker in Annie! She has been in performances such as Alice in Wonderland, Finding Nemo, Once Upon a Mattress, Red Riding Hood, and Music Man. Rylee loves to play basketball and softball. Her favorite food is sushi and she is excellent at drawing and creating unique art. She loves to travel and explore new places, and New York is at the top of her list…so she's bringing a little New York attitude and a whole lot of heart to the show!



Sofia Kader (Lily)
Sofia is in eighth grade at Gross Middle School. This is her 9th Footlight show! Favorite past roles include Smee in Peter Pan and a Delta Nu in Legally Blonde. When not on stage, she loves to play soccer. She would like to thank her fantastic directors, family and friends for their support!



Bridey Kaufman (Annette)
Bridey is excited to be back on stage for her second production with Lightfoot Theatre! She has been involved in theatre since she was seven years old and loves bringing stories to life. When she's not on stage, Bridey enjoys spending time with her family and friends. She's a natural storyteller with a great sense of humor, a big heart, and a knack for making people laugh. Bridey hopes you enjoy the show.



Clare Kerr (New Yorker)
Blare Kerr is eight years old and in third grade. In her free time she plays basketball/goes skiing and she loves to eat! She lives in Riverside. She has one sister, a dad, and a mom. And she thinks that the cast of Annie Jr. is amazing/cool!



Lily Lauksmen (New Yorker)
Lily is thrilled to be back on stage with Footlight Players. She was previously a Dead Cheerleader in Beetlejuice, a Tot in the Wizard of Oz, and Petrie, Narrator, and a dancer in summer musicals. Special thanks to her parents and brother for support. Oh My Goodness- Lily is glad you're all here!



Dylan Lindstrom (Rooster)
Dylan is in 8th grade at Park Junior High. He loves to perform and is excited to be playing Rooster. He enjoys spending time with family and friends and is an avid theater fanatic. He hopes to see you on Easy Street!

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Sophie Luna (New Yorker)
Sophie is a local 2nd grader who is thrilled to participate in her second theatrical production. Outside of school, you'll find Sophie creating art, baking, crafting, and playing with her friends and brother. She would like to thank everyone who supported and encouraged her on this journey!



Lulu Matthews (Servant)
Lulu is happy to be back for her third production with the Footlight Theatre! When she isn't practicing for the show, Lulu loves working on art projects, playing with friends and perfecting her skills as a makeup artist. She wants to thank her family and friends for their love and support!



Karin McCarthy-Foubert (Grace Ferrell)
Karin is an 8th grader at S.E Gross Middle school. Although this is only her 5th show with Footlight Players, she has loved musical theatre ever since she saw her first show when she was about 5 years old. That show was, fittingly, a production of Annie! She is so grateful to her family, friends, directors, and the amazing community at Footlight for supporting her and helping her grow. Break a leg everybody!



Ben McGinn (President Roosevelt/Man)
This is Ben's 9th Footlight show. He is excited to play the role of President Roosevelt and help bring the show to life! He wants to thank all the directors, volunteers and all the people who help bring this show to the stage. Break a leg to all my fellow cast mates!



Ava Miller (Sandy)
Ava is excited to be a part of the cast!



Lucy Novak (Servant)
Lucy is delighted to be making her second appearance with the Footlight Players! When she's not dusting and dancing around the Warbucks mansion, you can find her reading, swinging through the air at gymnastics, learning guitar, and being the best big sister. Lucy may be a servant, but she knows that you're never fully dressed without a smile :)

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Nora Nye (New Yorker)
Nora Nye is thrilled to make her musical debut alongside her friends! An expressive 2nd grader, she loves to dance, craft, swim, and style hair.



Colleen O'Neill (Orphan)
Colleen is a 6th grader at Forest Road Elementary! She loves swimming, spending time with friends, making up dances, and crafting. This is her first play, and she's excited to shine on a new stage. She's used to making waves in the pool, but now she's ready to make a splash on stage!



Kearra Pearce (Mrs. Pugh)
Kearra is thrilled to be back with the Footlight Players in her 3rd production! After making her debut in Beetlejuice and performing in Peter Pan, she's excited to be in Annie Jr. She thanks her family, friends, and the cast and crew for their support. Enjoy the show!



Pepper Pritchett (Pepper)
Pepper is a sixth grader at S.E. Gross. Outside of theater, she enjoys tumbling, playing with her many pets, and spending time with friends and family and is also a member of her school's student council. This is her second play, and she's loved spending time with the cast! She looks forward to performing with Footlight Players again.



Archer Ritter (New Yorker)
Archer is excited to be in his 4th performance with Footlight. He enjoys playing volleyball, water polo, swimming, video games, and hanging with friends. Archer would like to thank his Moms and brother for supporting him. He hopes you love the show!



Griffin Ritter (Drake)
This is Griffin's 6th performance with the Footlight Players. He is an 8th Grader at Park Jr. High School. In his free time, Griffin enjoys bike riding, VR, and spending time with friends. He hopes you enjoy the show.

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Joey Calumet
Joey is a music director and sound designer, primarily at Surging Films and Theatrics, a semi-professional theater company in Chicago. He also works as a school portrait photographer and office manager at Inter-State Studio. This is his first show with Footlight Players, and he couldn't be happier to be a part of this community. He is so proud of all the kids and how far they've come. He thanks Michele and Ben for being so wonderful to work with, and he can't wait to continue working with them and everyone who's a part of Footlight!



Michele Ritacco
Michele is overjoyed to be the choreographer for another excellent Footlight Players show. Building a new team and putting on a show in less than 9 weeks has had its challenges; however, the outcome of our hard work will be clear on stage! Michele is so appreciative to Ben and Joey and how quickly they have adapted to the Community Park District - Footlight Players. She is looking forward to many more shows with this new team. Michele can never thank her mom (Deb) and son Carl enough for their continued support in all her Performing Arts Adventures! Michele would like to thank the Community Park District Board of Commissioner and the CPD team for their continued support for the Cultural Arts! I am so proud of all our Footlight Players! Break-A-Leg!



Ben Sulzberger
Ben is a theatre artist and transplant to the Chicagoland area. He has been an actor and director in Iowa, Oregon, and Illinois. This is his first show with the Footlight Players, and he could not be prouder of the incredible work put in by these casts! Outside of theatre, Ben is frequently a substitute teacher and the writer for 'Ireland with Michael' on PBS. He'd like to thank his parents and his cat for their support, Michele & Joey for being such wonderful collaborators, and anyone and everyone — parents, volunteers, Deb, and all the staff at the Community Park District — who helped make this show happen!

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