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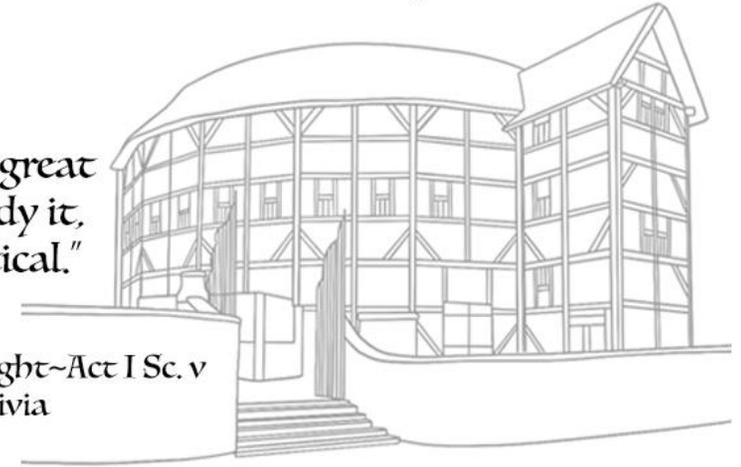
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Viola to Olivia



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WHO'S WHO IN THE CREW

KAYA SUKHDEO (Head of Costumes) is a sophomore at HPHS. She has previously worked on *In the Heights* at Glenfield Middle School and was in the props department at Montclair High School. Kaya enjoys building miniature houses and listening to new music. She would like to thank all of the amazing people she has met at Highland Park High School, especially everyone who has participated in this production!

NATALIA TOMAHATSCH (Head of Props) is a senior at HPHS. This is her 6th production at HPHS, where she has previously worked on *Little Shop of Horrors*, *The Addams Family*, *Legally Blonde*, and more! She has also been the stage manager for the HPYTC for the past 4 years. Natalia enjoys art, binging content on every platform, and hanging out with family and her friends, specifically the Gang Beasts group. She'd like to thank the green room crew and drama club for all the memories throughout the years!

TEJASVI VENKAT (Lighting Board Operator, Sound, Props) is a sophomore at HPHS. This her first production with Highland Park. She has done lights and tech before for 6 other productions outside of school with Isha Home School including *The Play That Goes Wrong*, *The Twelve Months*, *The Prince And The Pauper* and more. Teji loves math, science, playing musical instruments, and the outdoors. Teji would love to thank the drama team for being enthusiastic and amazing friends to work with.

Highland Park High School's Drama Club Presents

William Shakespeare's **TWELFTH NIGHT**

with

Roy Crosbie Jordan Gibney-Krashen Aisha Hussain
Palak Khosla Maria Levina Christina Li Michelle Li
Luis Peña Adrian Schilling Reeya Singh Kai Stevens
Siya Verma Amy Yang

Head of Set
John Bilton

Head of Lights
Andrew Dalton

Head of Sound
Megan Chiu

Head of Props
Natalia Tomahatsch

Head of Costumes
Kaya Sukhdeo

Stage Manager
Haia Elmoghani

Director
Hannah Rapaport-Stein

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**Congrats to our drama
club seniors!**

**Aisha Hussain
Natalia Tomahatsch**

**Good luck!
We'll miss you!**

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CLASS OF



WHO'S WHO IN THE CREW

JONAH GRANTZ (Props, Costumes, Stage Crew) is a freshman at HPHS. He has only worked on one other show at HPHS, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, but he has worked on many outside of it. He likes baseball, football, and action movies. He would like to thank his mom, his dad, and the rest of his family.

ASHLEY KATZ (Stage Crew, Props) is a junior at HPHS. This is her first time in a drama production in Highland Park. Ashley loves hanging out with friends, playing guitar, crocheting, and hiking. She would like to thank all the amazing people who she has met and worked with at the drama club and the director for all of her hard work!

LUCY MCKENNA (Costumes) is an 8th grader at HPMS. This is their second production at HPHS; the first one was *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. They enjoy reading and drawing. They would like to thank the drama people for being so welcoming, and also their family.

DEREK MEJIA (Stage Crew, Props) is a junior at HPHS. This is his first time working on a production for the HPHS drama club. He tried drama during freshman year but couldn't find his place but now he joined drama again and enjoys drama and hopes that after this production he can get the courage to be an actor. He likes to watch little clips from Broadway and musicals. He's so thankful for meeting all these lovely actors and techies and he can't wait to see how the production is going to turn out and to cheer on everyone who worked hard.

SAMANTHA MILSTED (Stage Crew) is a freshman at HPHS. This is her first production. She likes to draw and play video games. She would like to thank the HPHS production team/crew and her parents.

EVA PRENDINI (Set, Costumes) is a sophomore at HPHS. This is her first production. Eva loves painting and reading in her freetime. She would like to thank the HPHS production crew for welcoming her to the team!

WHO'S WHO IN THE CREW

JOHN BILTON (Head of Set, Stage Crew) is a sophomore at HPHS. This is his 5th production at HPHS. He has previously worked on shows like *The Addams Family*, *The Laramie Project*, *Legally Blonde*, and *And Then There Were None*. Outside of school, John enjoys reading, especially mystery, sci-fi, and fantasy novels. He would like to thank the drama community at HPHS for being so welcoming and fun, and his family, who support him in his time-consuming interests.

MEGAN CHIU (Sound Board Operator, Lighting) is a sophomore at HPHS. This is her first production with Highland Park. Megan likes to edit videos and hangout with her friends in her free time. She would love to thank the HPHS drama team for working together and being fun.

ANDREW DALTON (Head of Lighting) is a sophomore at HPHS. He has previously done lights and tech for 11 other productions with the Highland Park Drama Club including *The Laramie Project*, *One Acts*, *Legally Blonde*, *The Addams Family* and more. Andrew enjoys hanging out with friends and 3D modeling and printing things. He would like to thank everyone in the drama club for being so welcoming and kind to him.

HAIA ELMOGHANI (Stage Manager) is a sophomore at HPHS. This is her 6th production at Highland Park, she has previously worked on *Legally Blonde*, *And Then There Were None*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and more. In her free time, Haia likes to listen to music, hang out with her friends, and read. She would like to thank the director for working so hard, the cast, and tech crew for being amazing!

TALIA GLUECK (Stage Crew) is a freshman at HPHS. This is her first production. She likes playing video games and listening to music. She would like to thank all the friends she made through the fall production this year and her sister for encouraging her to join the drama club.

CAST

(in order of appearance)

Duke Orsino.....Aisha Hussain
Olivia.....Palak Khosla
Viola.....Roy Crosbie
Captain, Priest, Officer, Ensemble.....Luis Peña
Sir Toby Belch.....Adrian Schilling
Maria.....Siya Verma
Sir Andrew Aguecheek.....Kai Stevens
Valentine, Officer, Ensemble.....Amy Yang
Feste.....Jordan Gibney-Krashen
Malvolio.....Christina Li
Antonio.....Michelle Li
Sebastian.....Maria Levina
Officer, Ensemble.....Reeya Singh



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(in order of appearance)



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MICHELLE LI (Antonio) is a sophomore at HPHS. She has previously been a part of Highland Park High School's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Carrying the Banner*, and a virtual One Acts Festival. Outside of drama, Michelle enjoys being with her friends and playing and listening to music. She would like to thank the cast and crew for being so kind and welcoming, and the director for making this show possible.

MARIA LEVINA (Sebastian) is a freshman at HPHS. This is her first year and first play in the Drama Club. She has been in seven performances with the Highland Park Youth Theatre Company before Drama Club. Outside of school, Maria enjoys gymnastics, art, learning piano, hanging out with her mom, and practicing Chinese. Maria would like to thank the Drama Club and theater director for giving her something to look forward to every day.

REEYA SINGH (Officer, Ensemble) is a junior at HPHS. She has participated in four HP performances including *And Then There Were None*, *Midsummer's Night Dream*, *Carrying the Banner*, and a virtual One Acts Festival. She has enjoyed being a member of this club for three years and is excited to share this experience with the new members. Reeya likes to socialize with her friends and be loud. She would like to thank everyone who helped this play happen despite all the bumps along the way.

PRODUCTION STAFF

Director.....Hannah Rapaport-Stein
Stage Manager.....Haia Elmoghani
Head of Costumes.....Kaya Sukhdeo
Head of Set.....John Bilton
Head of Lights.....Andrew Dalton
Props Master.....Natalia Tomahatsch
Lighting Board Operator.....Tejasvi Venkat
Sound Board Operator Megan Chiu
Costumes.....Lucy McKenna
Stage Crew.....Talia Glueck, Jonah Grantz,
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SIYA VERMA (Maria) is a freshman at HPHS. *Twelfth Night* is the first play she has participated in. Siya likes to watch anime, enjoy time with friends and draw in her free time. She would like to thank the cast, crew and director for making this experience exciting and fun, and her parents for all the support they have given her.

KAI STEVENS (Sir Andrew Aguecheek) is a sophomore at HPHS. He has previously participated in several Highland Park Drama Club productions including *Legally Blonde*, *The Laramie Project*, *The Addams Family*, and *The Election*. In his free time, Kai likes to listen to music and play video games. He would like to thank the director, cast, and crew for making *Twelfth Night* one of his best theater experiences yet.

AMY YANG (Valentine, Officer, Ensemble) is a freshman at HPHS. This is her first year in the Drama Club, and *Twelfth Night* is the first play she has participated in. Amy enjoys listening to music, traveling, and hanging out with her friends. She would like to thank the Drama Club for giving her an experience that she'll never forget.

JORDAN GIBNEY-KRASHEN (Feste) is a sophomore at HPHS. She was previously in the *Carrying the Banner* online musical at HPHS. She has been in 8 community musical theatre productions outside of school with Fresh Theatre Arts and was in the Montecito Classical Music Festival online in 2021. Jordan loves singing classical music along with Broadway and enjoys playing the guitar and piano. She would like to thank her family for being so supportive of her love for music, especially over the pandemic.

CHRISTINA LI (Malvolio) is a sophomore at HPHS. This is her second year of being in the Drama Club, and she participated in virtual productions last year. Outside of school, Christina enjoys learning new skills, listening to and playing music, and sleeping. She would like to thank the Drama Club for pushing her out of her comfort zone to learn and grow.

WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

AISHA HUSSAIN (Duke Orsino) is a senior at HPHS. *Twelfth Night* is the first play that she has participated in. She enjoys playing basketball and being funny. She would like to thank her director for giving her this opportunity to be a part of this production as well as her family and friends for their unconditional love.

PALAK KHOSLA (Olivia) is a junior at HPHS. This is going to be her 2nd year in the Drama Club. She has been a part of *A Midsummer's Night Dream*, *Carrying the Banner*, and a Virtual One Acts performance. Outside of school, Palak enjoys hanging out with friends and family. She would like to thank her fellow actors, techies, and director for making her drama experience so wonderful!

ROY CROSBIE (Viola/Cesario) is a sophomore at HPHS. He previously acted in *And Then There Were None*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and two virtual One Acts festivals. He has also participated in numerous other theater groups over the years. Outside of drama, Roy is really interested in science and is therefore usually found daydreaming about theoretical problems. He would like to thank his director for her hard work, and the rest of the cast and tech crew for being so wonderful to work with!

LUIS PEÑA (Captain, Officer, Priest, Ensemble) is a junior at HPHS. *Twelfth Night* is his first time participating in a play. Luis loves to watch anime and have fun with everyone. He is really friendly. He would like to thank the cast and crew for being so kind and welcoming, and for making him come out of his shell.

ADRIAN SCHILLING (Sir Toby Belch) is a junior at HPHS. This is his sixth performance at HPHS, as he acted in *And Then There Were None*, *A Midsummer's Night Dream*, *Carrying the Banner*, and two virtual One Acts Festivals. Outside of school, he can be found quoting plays and expecting people to understand the references, listening to music, and defending that Shakespeare was in fact very swag. He would like to thank the director for being awesome, the cast and crew for being great, as well as his friends and family for being overall pretty cool.

TWELFTH NIGHT SYNOPSIS

In Illyria, Duke Orsino is pining after the Countess Olivia. While he is desperately in love with her, she is not so into him. She is mourning the recent death of her brother and will not see any suitors.

Enter Viola. She and her twin brother, Sebastian, are in a terrible storm at sea. The twins are separated in the wreck and each believe the other to be dead. For her own safety, Viola decides to disguise herself as a boy, call herself Cesario, and find employment in Duke Orsino's household. Meanwhile, Sebastian is pulled from the wreck by Antonio, a sea captain who has many enemies in Illyria because he fought against Duke Orsino in the war.

Duke Orsino takes an instant liking to Cesario (Viola), and sends him to woo Olivia on his behalf. Unfortunately for Duke Orsino, Olivia falls in love with "Cesario." This makes life hard for Cesario/Viola, because she has fallen in love with Orsino. Ah...love triangles.

Meanwhile, Olivia's uncle, Sir Toby Belch, is not interested in mourning, but is interested in drinking, carousing, and generally having a good time...which he does with a foolish knight, Sir Andrew Aguecheek, and a clown, Feste. Their partying bothers Malvolio, Olivia's prudish head servant, and he scolds them for disturbing the peace. Sir Toby and Maria (Olivia's servant) decide to get back at Malvolio by setting a trap to make him believe that Olivia is in love with him.

Will the love triangle work itself out? Will the twins reunite? Will Sir Toby get to keep partying? As Shakespeare would say: "O time! thou must untangle this, not I; It is too hard a knot for me to untie!" (In other words: watch and find out!)

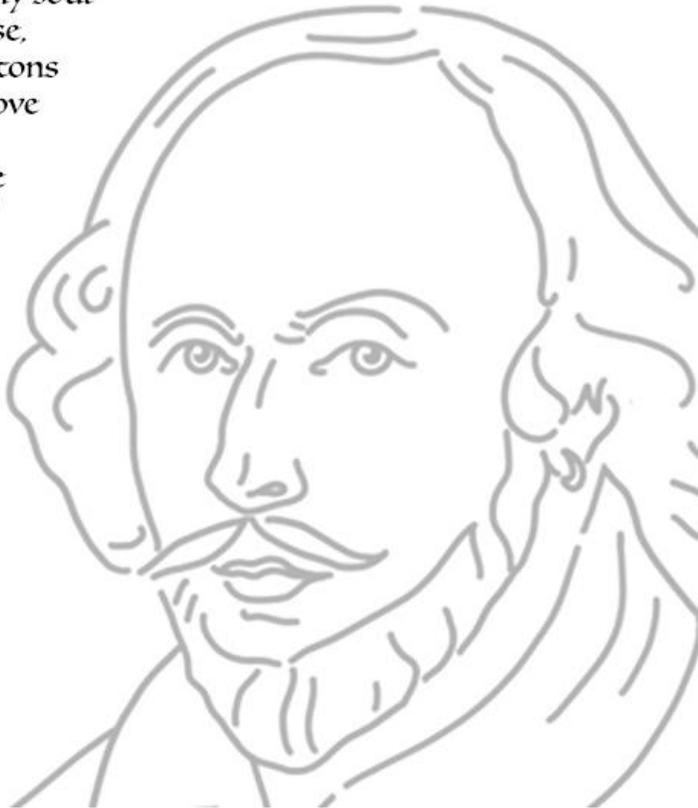
Congratulations to the cast, crew
and director of *Twelfth Night*!

Royal, we are so proud of you!

Love Mom, Dad, & the lads

"Make me a willow cabin at your gate
And call upon my soul
within the house,
Write loyal cantons
of contemned love
And sing them
loud even in the
dead of night..."

Twelfth Night
Act I, Sc. v
Viola to Olivia



DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Welcome to *Twelfth Night* and welcome back to Highland Park High School's Auditorium! After almost two years, the drama club is very excited to be performing live in front of an in-person audience.

As we slowly emerge from the pandemic, *Twelfth Night* feels appropriate. While it is a joyful, madcap comedy, the play actually starts in a darker place. At the beginning, many characters are experiencing loss, longing, and displacement, but work through these challenges to find love, connection, and joy.

Creating theater is a joyful act. It also takes a lot of hard work. And doing theater in a pandemic adds extra layers of complication - like last-minute changes to venue. You need to be flexible and creative in meeting those complications. The drama club students have done just that. Their creativity, hard work, and dedication to both theater in general and the HPHS drama club in particular has been incredible. This is my first time directing at HPHS and I feel lucky to have been welcomed into this wonderful ensemble by the students, Mr. Lassiter, and the whole school community. We hope you feel welcomed too.

Enjoy the show! - Hannah Rapaport-Stein



Hannah Rapaport-Stein (Director and Producer) is excited to be working with the HPHS drama club for the first time. She is a theater artist, educator, and administrator and has been a Shakespeare enthusiast ever since she put on *A Midsummer Night's Dream* with a group of her friends in middle school. More recently, Hannah has performed in plays around the tri-state area, received her M.S.Ed in theater education, and worked as a teacher, director, or administrator for several organizations, including McCarter Theatre, Lincoln Center Theater, Bristol Riverside Theater, Repertory Company High School for Theatre Arts, and The Shakespeare Theatre Company. She would like to thank the drama club students for their hard work, Mr. Lassiter for his support and enthusiasm, Tova Halpern and John Keller for their guidance, the staff at HPHS, and her family.