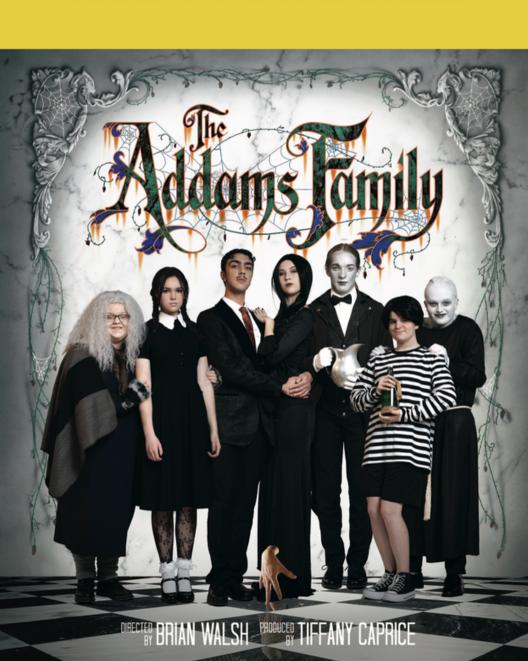
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CAST

Gomez Addams	Roham Shirazi
Morticia Addams	Margaret Schiller
Wednesday Addams	Julia Izzo
Uncle Fester	Oscar Padilla
Pugsley Addams	Kayley Brown
Grandma Addams	Rebecca Kennedy
Lurch	Teddy Pilko
Lucas Beineke	Gage Grace
Mal Beineke	Chris Fazio
Alice Beineke	Miranda Zelonka

Featured Ancestors

Cousin It/Ancestor	Robert Schaub
Thing/Ancestor	Alyssa Saupee
Conquistador	Emma Regan
Cave Woman	Taylor Blickos
Soldier	Lianna Noll
Saloon Girl	Sadie O'Brien
Flight Attendant	Eliza Stewart
Gambler	Nagisa Tarui
Courtesan	Hope Noonan
Bride	Annastasia Cavanaugh
Puritan	Courtney DiPersia
Flapper	Francesca Tori

CAST

Dancestors

Annastasia Cavanaugh
Rachel D'Ambrosio
Courtney DiPersia
Samara Landauer
Lianna Noll
Sadie O'Brien
Evangelia Papadopoulos
Jasmin Sowti
Nagisa Tarui

Francesca Tori

Puppeteers

Monster Under Bed: Robert Schaub and Amanda Hilden

Grandma's Animals: Hope Noonan, Olivia Highland, Kimberly Miller

> Bird: Irene Biju Tassel: Gabe Dezzi Cleopatra: Rivers Price

Ancestors

Irene Biju, Taylor Bilckos, Annastasia Cavanaugh,
Rachel D'Ambrosio, Courtney DiPersia, Meghan Daly, Gabe Dezzi,
Caleigh Egan, Fiona Fulner, Olivia Highland, Amanda Hilden,
Haley Johnston, Ben Kelly, Samara Landauer, Joaquin McIntire,
Kimberly Miller, Alexa Monteleone, Lianna Noll, Hope Noonan,
Sadie O'Brien, Deirdre O'Donnell, Rivers Price,
Emma Regan, Genevieve Robins, Alyssa Saupee, Robert Schaub,
Jasmin Sowti, Eliza Stewart, Nagisa Tarui, Francesca Tori









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Sophia Favretto

Emma Geddes

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Emily Grimm

Sarah Guyer

Nola Jacobs

Josh Klein

Maddie Kennedy

Autumn Lingle

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Emily Lucas*

Reed 1

James Pecsok*

Reed 2

Pete Rice*

Flute

Hannah Su

Keyboard

Jason Noll*

Rodney Atienza*

Percussion

Evelyn Choi

Avery Clary

Joel Lee

Drums

Sam Hayden

Guitar

Will Izzo

Bass

Mia Chen

Trombone

Will O'Hara

Trumpet

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Andrew Wise

Andrew Wise

*adult musician



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A LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Marple Newtown School District Community,

The Marple Newtown Performing Arts program offers students a variety of forums to demonstrate their talents and develop their interests. Each year, students participate and collaborate with their peers, directors, and teachers to perform plays and musicals. The experience is unique to the high school, in that it allows students to connect their talents, efforts, and skills to transform a script into a stage production that comes to life to entertain an audience. The Marple Newtown High School students manage all aspects of the performance such as acting the stage roles, building and creating the sets and backdrops, managing the lighting and sound, and working together as a team. This collaborative effort is necessary to create the magic to bring together all the individual details and contributions from the cast and crew. It is very impressive to watch the production come to life. A very special thank you is extended to the students, staff, stage crew, director, parents, MNHS Administration, and MNSD Board of School Directors for bringing this production to the Marple Newtown Performing Arts Center.

This year's performance, The Addams Family, is adapted from the comical Broadway musical. At first appearance, the Addams family appears to be creepy, kooky, mysterious, and spooky. However, once you get to know them, it is obvious that they are a loving and loyal family, who adore each other. Every Addams family member is unique and interesting in his/her own way. The Addams family find themselves in a conundrum when the daughter, Wednesday Addams, the darkest and most macabre member of the Addams family, develops romantic feelings for a kind-hearted, respectful "normal" boy causing the family to fret. Throughout the musical, the family's love and loyalty are tested when they struggle with secrecy and deception surrounding the concept of normalcy. Overall, theme of this musical is - family. Everyone has their own unique family dynamics, and this musical represents various familial bonds.

Best wishes to the MNHS family of performers, stage crew, directors, producer, parent volunteers, and everyone involved in the spring production of, The Addams Family.

Sincerely, Dr. Tina Kane Superintendent of Schools

A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Marple Newtown Family and Friends,

On behalf of Marple Newtown High School, it is my pleasure and honor to welcome you to our spring musical production, The Addams Family. We have enjoyed a consistent tradition of excellence in drama at MNHS and this year's production promises to add to our legacy. Thank you to our students and staff who have been working hard preparing for this year's performance. I appreciate all the hours of dedication and preparation in rehearsals, set design, and promotion that will all pay off in each performance. Our students and staff take great pride in their work and put a lot of effort into this production. What makes me most proud of them is they have done all this while also keeping up with their academics and other activities they participate in on a daily basis. I would also like to thank the entire "behind the scenes" support who help ensure that this year's production maintains the high standards of excellence established at MNHS

The Addams Family, is a comedy that focuses on the wackiness found in every family, One of the main characters, Wednesday Addams, who portrays the ultimate princess of darkness, has now grown up and fallen in love. He is a fine young man from a respectable family, and he has never met her family. Gomez Addams is put in a precarious position when his daughter confides in him and he must now keep a secret from his wife, which is something he has never done. This will all come to a head when they host a dinner for Wednesday's "normal" boyfriend and his parents.

Our shows will be at the Marple Newtown Performing Arts Center on March 16th, 17th, and 18th. Please enjoy the show and remember the time and effort that is put into this performance. We have wonderful students at Marple Newtown High School, and we are excited to see the final product they have prepared for so diligently. Congratulations and best of luck to the students, directors, staff, and parents on a job well done.

Tiger Pride!

John Beltrante

SCENIC BREAKDOWN

Act 1

Overture/Prologue - Orchestra

Scene 1 – The Addams Family Graveyard When You're an Addams – Addams Family and Ancestors Fester's Manifesto – Fester

> Scene 2 – The Addams Family Home Two Things – Gomez Wednesday's Growing Up – Gomez Trapped – Gomez

Scene 3 – The Torture Room/The Addams Family Home Pulled – Wednesday and Pugsley Four Things – Gomez One Normal Night Part One – Wednesday, Gomez, Morticia

Scene 4 – Central Park/The Addams Family Home One Normal Night Part 2 – Full Company

> Scene 5 – The Addams Family Home But Love Reprise 1 – Fester, Ancestors

Scene 6 – Somewhere Else in the House But Love Reprise 2 – Fester, Ancestors

Scene 7 - Gomez's Grotto

Scene 8 – Morticia's Boudoir Secrets – Morticia, Alice, Dancestors

Scene 9 – Somewhere in the House Gomez's What If – Gomez

Scene 10 - Somewhere Else in the House

Scene 11 – Grandma's Kitchen What If – Pugsley Scene 12 – The Banquet Hall
Full Disclosure Part 1 – Full Company
Waiting – Alice
Full Disclosure Part 2 – Full Company

There will be a 15 minute intermission

Act 2

Scene 1 – Outside the House Opening Act 2 – Orchestra

Scene 2 – Morticia's Boudoir

Just Around the Corner – Morticia, Ancestors

Just Around the Corner Playoff – Morticia, Ancestors

Scene 3 - Guest Bedroom

Scene 4 – Outside the House
The Mood and Me – Fester, Featured Ancestors, Dancestors

Scene 5 – Under the Addams Family Tree Happy Sad – Gomez

Scene 6 – Outside The Addams Family Tree Crazier Than You – Wednesday, Lucas, Mal, Alice

Scene 7 – Pugsley's Bedroom

Scene 8 – Gomez's Grotto Not Today – Gomez

Scene 9 – In Front of the Gates Let's Live Before We Die – Gomez and Morticia Tango De Amor – Gomez, Morticia, Dancestors, Orchestra

> Scene 10 – The Addams Graveyard Move Toward the Darkness – Full Company

> > Bows - Orchestra, Full Company

A Note From Director, Brian Walsh

The Addams Family is perhaps best know from the 1960s TV show and the two movies from the 1990's, but it began as a single-panel comic by Charles Addams in the 1938 New Yorker. As a kid, I would watch the films with my family. As creepy and kooky as the characters were. I was struck by how they were so accepting, supporting, and loving. It didn't matter who the family came in contact with, if you were the outsider, the person who needed something special, you would immediately become part of the family. The Addams Family is more relatable than we think, they show the experience of the "outsider," and we as audience members, embrace them because we see them as ourselves. However, this production also reminds us that we need to take care of eachother. The idea of family, unity and loving each other no matter what their inner darkness is, is something that we all can all relate to. I think that's the reason the Addams Family has become such a cultural touchstone. While so much of what they do is abnormal, it all comes from a place of love. In their world up is down, happy is sad, but love is love.

What is normal anyway? As Morticia says, "Normal is an illusion... What's normal for the spider is a calamity for the fly." As a society we are fixated on the notion that we all have to be "normal" to be successful, but as we find out from this story, we realize that even the strangest of families share in the same joys and fears as the rest of us. The Addams Family asks the question, What is it to be pulled out of your comfort zone? We live in our own bubble and surround ourselves with like minds. Often we avoid the other and demonize or fear those that are not on our team. We often distrust those that live differently, we often don't see what we have in common. This show allows use to be pulled out of our bubble and notice that we are more alike than we seem. We all want to be noticed, we all want to be loved. we all just want to be respected for who we are. I think we can all learn from the Addams and the Beineke's, we may seem like we don't have anything in common and want nothing to do with each other, but, in the end, find commonality and become a larger and better family.

MN Drama is a family that may be different in many ways, but we all respect and love one another because we love what we do, theater. We may not always understand each other in the moment, but in the end, we understand that we all have the same common goal of delighting and dazzling our audiences. We are a little bit creepy and we're kooky, mysterious and spooky, we're all together ooky, we are the MN DRAMA FAMILY!

Pop your bubble and get ready to be "pulled" into a new direction! Enjoy the show!

Miranda Zelonka





Congratulations to the entire cast, crew and pit of The Addams Family!





To Margaret, we love watching you on stage doing what you love! With all our love, Dad, Mom & Anna



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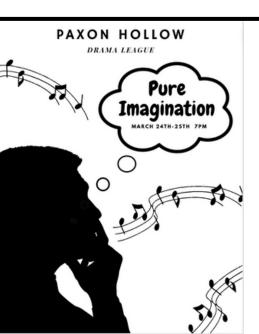
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SENIOR BIOS



<u>Taylor Blickos</u>

Well that's it, This is the end of a core memory of my high school experience, I have had the time of my life from painting the sets of our town, to spraining my ankle 3 hours after Matilda auditions, then to basically dying my hair red with all the blood from clue, there has never been a dull moment in the place I call my second home. The memories and friends I've made through the process of being in this department will be the ones I remember forever and I will cherish and tell the legacy of the members of MNDrama. I want to thank my family and friends for all the support I've been given whether I was behind the scenes or trying to dance with an ankle brace on stage. I am so happy that they celebrated even the smallest accomplishments with me along the way. It saddens me to have to be leaving this department but as a wise person once said "Keep your temper. Nobody else wants it." –Dearborn Independent If I made you laugh with my bio you owe me \$5 my Venmo is Taylor-Blickos



Emma Geddess

Emma single-handedly brought the hyper feminine energy that stage crew never wanted but needed. anyway follow her on insta xoxo @emmageddes_



Carly Grimm

The theater has always been a big part of Carly's life. From playing Cinderella in fifth grade to being her school's President of Drama in twelfth grade, Carly has come a long way. Stage Crew has truly been a highlight of her time in high school. Carly is so grateful for her family and all the friends she has made since becoming a part of Crew, and she hopes future people in Stage Crew find as much joy and community in it as she did.



Haley Johnston

Haley has been with MN Drama for 3 years. MN Drama is more than a program, it is a family. Addams Family is the perfect musical because it shows how much MN Drama is one big family.



Rebecca Kennedy

This is Rebecca's last year at MN Drama, and she is so thankful for the loving people that have helped her grow into the passionate theater-loving woman she is today. Rebecca wants to especially thank her family, friends, and directors who have continuously supported her throughout the years. Whether she was playing the energetic and loving Louellla Soames in Our Town, the sassy yet caring Betty Bumbrake in Peter and the Starcatcher, the maid in Cinderella, the scary and hilarious Russian mafia boss. Sergei, in Matilda, the overdramatic Mrs. Peacock in Clue, or the crazy and kooky Grandma Addams in The Addams Family, she was always thrilled to be a part of MN Drama. Rebecca will never forget the community at MN Drama, and she wishes them best of luck in their future shows. As Grandma Addams would say, use your time wisely and enjoy the moment because "Time, my dear, is a thief. She'll steal your soul and flee on little fairy wings." Rebecca will continue theater in college, but nothing will compare to the family she found here at MN Drama.



Michael McLean welp. it has been!





Tori Nguyen

It's been a pleasure to trauma bond with all. Cast, y'all gonna slay. Crew, y'all my crew. Much love and constant support hugs always- your senior half of Tori^2.



<u>Emma Regan</u>

Emma Regan is excited to be a part of The Addams Family as her senior show and wishes everyone good luck! She will always hold a special place in her heart for MN drama and all of the people here. Some of her favorite memories of high school have been here, messing around with friends in the wings, singing and dancing along to whatever song we have stuck in our heads (usually Taylor Swift), getting ready in the dressing rooms, and so much more. And so speaking of Taylor Swift, whether you're a freshman, and this is your first show, or a senior taking your final bow, just remember "this was the very first page, not where the storyline ends." Emma knows you all will do incredible things and she can't wait to see where you go from here. <3



<u>Nagisa Tarui</u>

Nagisa will forever cherish the memories she made the past few years at MNdrama. Playing different roles, sometimes even a male, or being a part of stage crew allowed her to express her love for acting in many ways. Having the chance to find a place where she can call home, and making friends that now feels like family, she could not be anymore grateful for everyone involved in this program. Of course, Nagisa is known for being the girl that's obsessed with Taylor Swift, so she could not end this without quoting, "I had the time of my life....with you".



Francessca Tori

Francesca has found her home at MN Drama these last 3 years. From being a lady at the ball in Cinderella, to a Sailor/Mermaid/Mollusk in Peter and the Starcatcher, to a big kid in Matilda, to Eve Stropper in Stage Freight and the Singing Telegram Girl in Clue and finally the Flapper and a featured dancer in the Addams Family. She is so grateful to have had these experiences and she will miss everyone so much.



Andrew Wise

Andrew first joined the pit orchestra last year for Marple Newtown's production of "Matilda" and has returned for this year's production of "The Addams Family." He is playing the trumpet and flugelhorn for this year's show and can't wait to perform with all of his friends. Outside of MN Drama, he's in Concert band, Jazz band, and Marching band. Andrew is grateful for everyone and their hard work to make this show possible and can't wait for people to see it.



Miranda Zelonka

Miranda has been in MN Drama since freshman year, and is endlessly excited to play Alice in the Addams Family! She is also ready to take on her next adventure at Loyola University in New Orleans as a music education major! To say goodbye to something she has done a very long time, Miranda will be doing things that she has not done in a long time. She hopes you join her in doing such things as: Saying the ABCs out loud, going to a children's museum and touching absolutely everything in sight and getting lice, ordering \$10 meals off the kids menu, reading one of those puberty books for pre-teens, watching just around the corner, and more. She would like to thank everyone in her life who has stuck by her throughout the years. She would also like to thank her cast-mates, she couldn't have asked for a better group of people to do this show with! Shoutouts to people who have made a positive impact on my life, I love you all: Mom & Dad (Arizona hula hoop champion 1985!), MM, CG, EG, CTG, MS, TP, ES, OP, EW, AW, RK, KN, LD, OK, DH, MB, EP, JB, DA, my music teachers, and hot tea and cough drops.



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PROUD OF THE DRAMA!



Lianna, Congratulations on your first musical! We are so proud of you and happy to see you having such a great time! Love, Mom and Dad

Good luck to the cast and crew of Addams Family. A special shoutout to our Cousin It. Robert, we are so proud of your love of the stage. Love, Mom,Dad, Kelsey and Grandma.

Caleigh- We are so excited to see you in another MN Drama production! It's sure to be a spooky delight. Love Mom, Dad & Taylor

Kaylie, We believe in you! It's wonderful watching you take steps towards your future! Keep going! Make it happen! Love you always!

-Mom and Dad

Julia!! I am so proud of you and all your hard work for this show! You are so amazing and talented and I can't wait to see this show! I love you!! - Kayleigh

Congratulations Julia! We are so incredibly proud of your courage in taking this giant leap of faith, and beyond excited to watch you transform into your role as Wednesday Addams! Enjoy every moment of this incredible experience on MN's stage, surrounded by your good friends, and under such talented leadership! We will be cheering you on every step of the way! We love you endlessly Jul!! Many blessings and much love to you from Mom, Dad, Sis, Richie, and Will

Andrew, we are so proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad

We're proud of your hard work, Mollie! Love, MDCJ

Jason, Thanks for all that you do to support the students and especially Lianna! Enjoy your time playing in the pit! Love, Jen and Lianna

Will, congratulations on your very first pit experience! We are always so impressed by your willingness to try new things and beyond proud of your bravery in taking these leaps of faith! We cannot wait to see and hear this amazing show come to life and are so excited for you to be part of the magic of this experience! Enjoy every moment!! We will be cheering you on every step of the way! We love you endlessly buddy! Many blessings and much love to you from Mom, Dad, Sis, Richie, & Jul

William!! I'm so proud of you and your amazing talent for this show! I can't wait to hear you play Spanish guitar! You rock kid! I love you!!

-Kayleigh

To the cast, crew, pit and leaders of MN's Addams Family! We are so excited to watch all of your hard work, dedication and talent come together on opening night!! Each and every one of you plays a largely important role in this production and we are very proud to be part of this incredible community of wonderful people! Thank you for doing what you do, and for always impressing and entertaining our entire community in such memorable ways! Break a leg! The Izzo Family

Crew: You KILLED IT! You worked hard, put in extra hours, even came in on your days off. You own the show! WakaWaka- Mr. Z

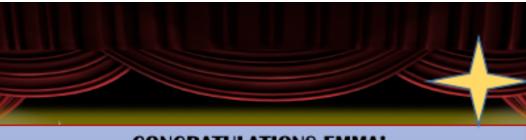
Behind the scenes, accomplishing the impossible, working in the dark at panic speed - Stage Crew! We love you, Madison Kennedy!

Mom, Dad, Rebecca & Kitties

Kaylie, so proud of all your hard work these past two years. Best Student Producer ever! Never give up - Tiffany

To the amazing cast, crew and orchestra, your talent and dedication shines through in this and every performance. So proud of you all!

- MN Drama Staff



CONGRATULATIONS EMMA!

WHAT A FANTASTIC RUN OF SHOWS! YOU HAVE WORKED SO HARD & DONE AN AMAZING JOB. YOU & YOUR CREATIVITY SHINES! WE LOVE YOU & ARE SO PROUD OF ALL YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS. MOM, DAD, ANA & ALL OF YOUR FAMILY

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Rebecca,
We are so proud of you! Your
creativity, kindness, and empathy
shine in all you do. May you always
recognize the best in yourself and
others. Continue to wonder,
perform, and celebrate life. Live
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be great! We love you!
Mom, Dad, Madison, Oats & Honey



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