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### **Director's Notes**



Family and friends of Geneva High School,

While I certainly miss the buzz of the auditorium before opening night, I am so incredibly grateful that I have been able to continue producing theatre throughout these oh-so-unprecedented times. It was just yesterday that a student turned to me as we prepared for a socially-distanced, masked-up dress rehearsal and said, "Wow. It's pretty chaotic in here. I've missed this!" Thank you for joining us and supporting us from your homes or offices or wherever you may be. A lot of chaos and hard work went into this!

I would like to take a moment to thank the incredible GHS Theatre Boosters team that has always supported me in all that I need and envision for this program. We have navigated these waters together and I feel so blessed to have such a fantastic sailing crew! I would also like to thank Tom Rogers and the GHS staff and administration for all the encouragement and opportunity they've provided for students this year. Finally, I would like to thank our custodial staff for unlocking our doors, sanitizing our stage, and being the heroes we need this year. Thank you to all!

I am very much looking forward to a triumphant return to normalcy,



as I'm sure we all are. But for now, I will take this incredible display of perseverance, determination, and unwavering support from these talented students. Thank you again for your support of the Geneva Theatre department and enjoy the virtual performance!

**Kate Woodruff** 

Director

### - Order of Performances -

Viking Revue | Student Directed One-Acts

'Someone to Watch Over Me" Lily Mehren & Adeline Meyers
<b>'Bonfire"</b> Marcella Anderson, Sidney Hayman, Maddie Johnson, Elisabeth Schmitt
"Bamboozled"Nic Amat, Reed Anderson, Charlie Cervenka
<b>"Ex-Wives"</b> Mia Bruno, Cameron Cronkhite, Evelyn Grifith Sidney Hayman, Kyra Kopec, Megan McChrystal
'Into the Unknown"GHS Color Guard
<b>'Olive Garden''</b> Grace Cieslikowski, Mia Cunningham, Mia Demarco, Liam Karth, Lily Mehren, Carley Messino, Meghan Monroe, Jenna Sowinski Becca Spezzano
"Bohemian Rhapsody"Sarah Carlson, Charlie Cervenka, Molly Cowett, Mike Crushellas, Christine Kelly, Becca Spezzano, Jack Voreis
'Some Things Are Meant to Be"Erin & Hannah Hendrian





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### Viking Revue | Student Directed One-Acts

"Forgetting to Remember Part 2" ...... Karoline Anthony Nate Carlson, Lily Laramie, Lupe Pena "Home"......Maddie Gartrell "What's That Name"...... Marcella Anderson, Karoline Anthony, Nate Carlson, Molly Cowett, Maggie Deagle, Isabella Dinobo, Brenden Dodds, Matt Ellis, Ella Kobylecky, Becca Spezzano "Break From the Line" ...... Christine Kelly & Becca Spezzano "A Light in the Darkness" ...... Reed Anderson Nic Amat, Charlie Cervenka, Molly Cowett, Maggie Deagle, Maddie Johnson, Liam Karth, Emma Olson Lupe Pena "A Way Back to Then" ..... Ella Kobylecky "Somebody Somewhere" ......Lilly Nowak





# – One Acts –

### "Bonfire"

Written & Directed by Student **Liam Karth** 

Four friends are out camping when they experience a night to remember filled with funny and silly moments.

**CAST** 

Marcus Marcella Anderson Mikki Sidney Hayman Sabrina **Maddie Johnson**  Kyle Elisabeth Schmitt





# "Overthinking"

Directed by Student **Ella Kobylecky** 

A monologue from the popular Broadway musical *Dear Evan Hansen*, this complicated piece shows what it is like from the point of view of someone with extreme anxiety.

Evan
Matt Ellis

# - One Acts -

### "Bamboozled"

Directed by Student **Maggie Deagle** 

From the hit sitcom *Friends*, Joey goes to Ross and Chandler for help on an audition to host a new game show: "Bamboozled." While the rules are quite confusing, the three friends gradually have more fun as the game goes on!



CAST

Ross Reed Anderson Chandler **Nic Amat** 

Joey **Charlie Cervenka** 



Families - Seniors - Headshots







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# - One Acts -

### "Olive Garden"

Written & Directed by Student **Liam Karth** 

A family of four heads out to a popular restaurant, Olive Garden, to reward their kids for good grades but they quickly realize this is no ordinary family dinner night.

#### **CAST**

Josie **Mia Cunningham** Alfred **Lily Mehren** Girl #2

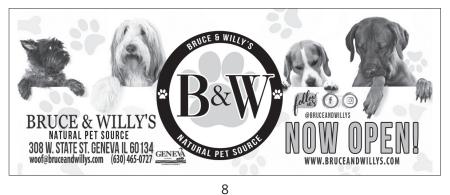
**Carley Messino** 

Mom
Meghan Monroe
Hostess
Grace Cieslikowski
Mom #1

Jenna Sowinski

Dad
Liam Karth
Girl #1
Mia Demarco
Poppy
Becca Spezzano





# - One Acts -

### "Forgetting to Remember: Part II"

Written & Directed by Student

#### **Grace Cieslikowski**

A sequel to the 2020 Virtual Revue Acts scene. After visiting his mentally ill wife, Arthur finds himself back at group therapy where he finally lets out his bottled up emotions amongst others who share their stories of pain, sadness, and hope.

Virginia upe Pena

Lupe Pena Jenny Lily Laramie CAST
Leader
Karoline Anthony
Charlie
Luke Hogan

Arthur
Nate Carlson
Britta
Tea Reeve





# - One Acts -

### "What's That Name?"

Directed by Student **Emma Olson** 

From Saturday Night Live, Vince Blight hosts "What's That Name?" where contestants Doug and Courtney easily remember the names of celebrities, but are humiliated as they fail to guess the names of people in their own lives.

#### **CAST**

Doug Courtney Vince Blight Todd **Matt Ellis Maggie Deagle Molly Cowett Nate Carlson** Karen Jake lake's Wife Mara **Becca Spezzano Brenden Dodds** Ella Kobylecky **Karoline Anthony** 

Bridesmaids: Isabella Dinobo, Marcella Anderson





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# - One Acts -

## "A Light in the Darkness"

Directed by Student **Ella Kobylecky** 

A brief scene containing contents from the hit Broadway musical, *Dear Evan Hansen*. However, opposed to the musicals' dark and depressing tone, this one act is rewritten to have an uplifting and reassuring feeling for the audience and characters involved. It also holds an important message about making a difference in other's lives.

**CAST** 

Evan **Nic Amat**  Alana Molly Cowett

Connor **Emma Olson** 

Jared **Reed Anderson** 

Ensemble: Maggie Deagle, Liam Karth, Lupe Pena, Charlie Cervenka, Maddie Johnson





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# - Viking Revue -



"Someone to Watch Over Me" by Ella Fitzgerald

Lily Mehren & Adeline Meyers (not shown)

"Ex-Wives" from Six: The Musical

Cameron Cronkhite, Evelyn Grifith, Megan McChrystal, Kyra Kopec, Sidney Hayman, Mia Bruno (not shown)



"Into the Unknown" from Frozen 2

#### **GHS Color Guard**

Micki Shrout, Sarah Carter, Allie Soeder, Rachel Sharratt, Sydney Schultz, Mariella Monroy, Julia Granqust



# - Viking Revue -



"Bohemian Rhapsody" by QUEEN

Charlie Cervenka, Becca Spezzano, Molly Cowett, Jack Voreis, Sarah Carlson, Mike Crushellas, Christine Kelly (not shown)

"Some Things Are Meant to Be" from *Little Women* 

Erin Hendrian & Hannah Hendrian





"Home" by Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros

**Maddie Gartrell** 

# - Viking Revue -

"Break From the Line" written by Joey Contreras

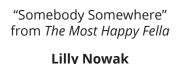
**Becca Spezzano** & Christine Kelly (not shown)





"A Way Back to Then" from [title of show]

Ella Kobylecky





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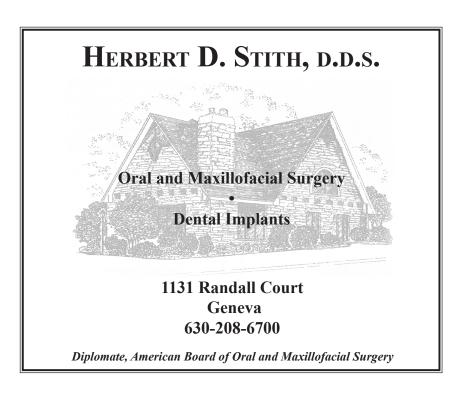
- Thank you to Kim Ayars for beautiful photography of our cast participants and directors.
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- Thank you to the GHS security and custodial staff for their invaluable help throughout the entire theatre process, from auditions through the actual recording of the production.
- Thank you to ALL the parents of cast and crew. We couldn't do it without your talented kids and YOUR support.
- Thank you to the 2020-2021 GHS Theatre Boosters, committee members and volunteers. We appreciate everything you do to support the students and directors throughout the entire season.
- A standing ovation for the incredible Director, Ms. Kate Woodruff, and Tech Director, Mr. Jon Richert.

#### 2020-2021 GHS Theatre Boosters Board

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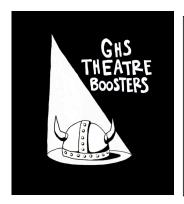
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