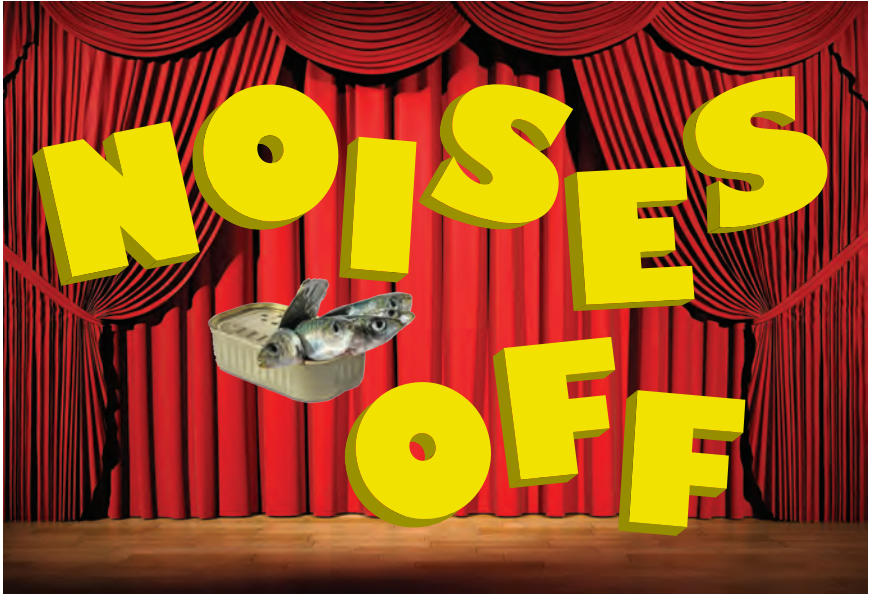


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Director's Notes

The concept for *Noises Off* seems simple ... Present a play about a company of actors performing in a farce and what happens when their own lives become more farcical than the characters they are playing. However, there is nothing simple about *Noises Off*. For anyone not familiar with the basic structure of a farce, the author, Michael Frayn includes a lesson in "Farce 101" by allowing the audience in Act One to see the play within the play, *Nothing On*. There are slamming doors, mistaken identities, dropping trousers and more.

What happens in Act II and Act III is a lesson in timing, rhythm, and choreography. During my career, I have directed, acted in and choreographed many musicals; and I believe that farce and musicals are very closely related in this respect. Musicals require an audience to accept the convention that characters suddenly break into song, and farce asks an audience to believe that people in seemingly ridiculous situations are behaving normally. As someone once said, "Farce is very serious business."

I need to mention how much work this cast has put into a brilliant but challenging show such as this! They are a great group of young adults, and I have enjoyed every minute of this experience! I also need to thank the parents. This show could not have happened without their help and support!

I recently read a brilliant metaphor for this play in that it is like the Indy 500... Act I, the engines are revving up. Act II are the vehicles taking flight at a high rate of speed, and Act III, the wheels come off in spectacular fashion. So this evening, sit back in the passenger seat and enjoy what many call the funniest plays ever written.

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Audrey Carberry Poppy Norton-Taylor
 Payton Dahlin..... Garry Lejeune
 Sydney GinterDotty Otley
 Quinn HensleyLloyd Dallas
 Chris Kubiak Selsdon Mowbray
 Jacob MillerFrederick Fellows
 Lucy Smith..... Belinda Blair
 Megan Styрна Brooke Ashton
 Henry Tawzer Tim Allgood

Ariela Policastro..... Understudy

Quinn FalkAssistant Director
 Lexi PiheraAssistant Director

NOISES OFF

Act I

The living room of the Brents' country home.
 Wednesday afternoon.
 (Grand Theatre, Weston-super-Mare. Monday, January 14)

Act II

The living room of the Brents' country home.
 Wednesday afternoon
 (Theatre Royal, Ashton-under-Lyne.
 Wednesday matinee, February 13.)

Act III

The living room of the Brents' country home.
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Audrey Carberry (*Poppy Norton-Taylor*) – is a sophomore at GHS and is very excited to be in the cast of *Noises Off*. She would like to send a special thanks to Konnie, Quinn, Lexie and Bill for helping her to develop a character that she can be proud of and for putting in so much time to bring the show together. She would also like to thank Ms. T and all the techies for putting in so many hours for a show they don't even perform in. Overall Audrey hopes that you have a couple of laughs and enjoy the show.



Payton Dahlin (*Garry Lejeune*) – is a junior at GHS. In his free time he watches birds, collects mold and fungi, and, most importantly, watches *Halloween* (the Rob Zombie one). He hopes you enjoy the show, and, as they say in my hometown, what's better is brighter.



Sydney Ginter (*Dotty Otley*) – is a senior at GHS. This is her first production at Geneva, and she is so excited to be a part of such an amazing program! She'd like to thank Konnie for creating such an incredible show, the tech crew for making sure everything goes smoothly and for putting in so much time and effort on the set and everything else, and her entire cast for making this experience so phenomenal. Also, a huge thanks to her parents for always encouraging her to shoot for the stars, and then chauffeuring her back and forth once she had landed on one. And, as always, thanks to you for coming out to support the play. We couldn't be here without you!



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Quinn Hensley (*Lloyd Dallas*) – “Quinn Hensley isn’t so great? Are you kidding me? When was the last time you saw an actor with such an ability and presence on the stage? Quinn puts theatre on another level, and we will be blessed if we ever see an actor with his skill and passion for the stage again. Henry Tawzer breaks records. Jacob Miller breaks records. Quinn Hensley breaks the rules. You can keep your statistics. I prefer the magic.”



Christopher Kubiak (*Selsdon Mowbray/Burglar*) – has been involved in the theatre at GHS since he was a freshman, and finds it bittersweet to be performing in his final fall play, as this is his senior year. Favorite roles at GHS include Count Rugen - the six-fingered man - in *The Princess Bride*, and Sir Lawrence Wargrave in *And Then There Were None*; he also has fond memories of directing his play, *Countrymen*, for last year’s One-Acts. Chris was last seen as Zacky Price in *Big Fish* at Elgin

Community College. He wishes to extend a huge thank you to his family for their incredible support and limitless love, as well as to Konnie, Miss T., and this amazing cast and crew for such a wonderful experience. He has truly enjoyed um line?

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Jacob Miller (*Frederick Fellows*) – is a boy caught with his trusted allies, the Hong Kong Cavaliers, in a battle to the death between evil red aliens and good black aliens from Planet 10. Lead by a dastardly dictator, John Whorfin, who has taken over the body of Italian scientist Dr. Emilio Lizardo, the aliens try to get the Overthruster back from Jacob Miller, but the good black aliens are willing to destroy Earth rather than let these renegades return to their planet ... Meanwhile Jacob is starring in the show *Noises Off*, enjoy!



Lucy Smith (*Belinda Blair*) – is finally a junior at Geneva High School. When not making sure everyone has a plate of sardines, she can be found desperately trying to calculate the velocity of a free falling object, or reading a book and procrastinating on long term assignments. Lucy has previously been in *My Fair Lady* and *The Love of Three Oranges* at the high school as well as many community productions. She would like to say thank you to her parents for their support and the use of the car and her brother for keeping her high school experience very lively.

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Megan Styrna (*Brooke Ashton*) – is a sophomore, and she is so excited to be in this production. She was recently seen in *And Then There Were None*, *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*, and *Mary Poppins*. When she isn't doing a show, she plays soccer at the school and sings as much as possible. She'd like to thank Konnie, Miss T, Lexie, Quinn, Mara, the tech crew, and the cast for contributing so much to the show. Thank you and enjoy!!



Henry Tawzer (*Tim Allgood*) – is a junior at Geneva High School and is very excited to be a part of *Noises Off*. This is his 4th production at the school, with the others being *The Love of Three Oranges*, *Peter Pan*, and *My Fair Lady*.



Ariela Policastro (*Understudy*) – The show *Noises Off* is Ariela's first GHS production, and she couldn't be happier to be part of such an amazing cast! Previously, Ariela was seen on stage in New Jersey in productions such as *Mary Poppins*, *Jekyll and Hyde*, *Narnia*, *Into the Woods*, and many more. Ariela is a junior and is looking forward to making more contributions in future GHS productions.

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Love -
Dad, Melissa, PoBe & Lucy



Ian Dinning-

Can't believe this is
your third year of
tech and you continue
to outshine yourself
with each production!
Congratulations on your
success!

Love,
Mom, Dad and Katie!



SHOUT OUTS!!!

Griffin!

Congratulations on all of
your hard work Griffin! It's
been a great run!

Love,
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Sydney,

Have fun, Sydney!
"Break-a-leg".

Love you,
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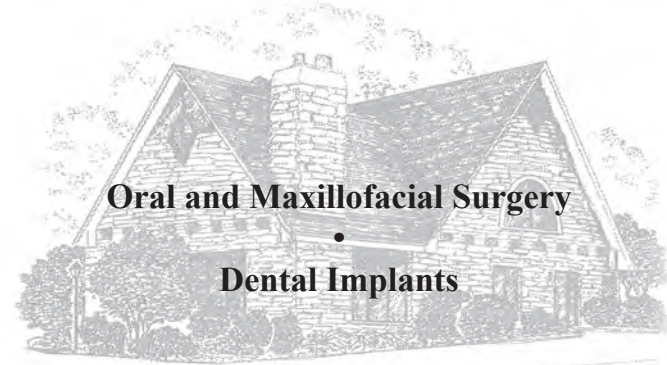


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Love you always,
Mom



Audrey,

We thought you were a techie, but you are just playing a techie. Wait. We are confused.

Congratulations on your first high school performance on stage.

Mom, Dad, Daniel



Sydney,

We are Super Proud of You!
You are a true star!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Charlie, Maicie,
and Pyper



Dear

Christopher,

When all around is strife and uncertainty, there’s nothing like watching you do what you do on stage! We’re so proud. Break a leg and “steal” the show!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Fiona, too!



SHOUT OUTS!!! SHOUT OUTS!!! SHOUT OUTS!!!

Ariella,

The hardest working understudy ever! Can’t wait to see what you can do on stage. Welcome to GHS theatre!



Audrey,

Congratulations on Noises Off! I wish I could be there to see you. You’ll be amazing

Love, Molly



SHOUT OUTS!!!

AUD DOG

- Sorry I can’t be there because I am off in Iowa...I know you’re killing the techie game and making everyone’s anime dreams come true. You’re the best first mate this captains ever had and I hope you are having a blast performing.
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