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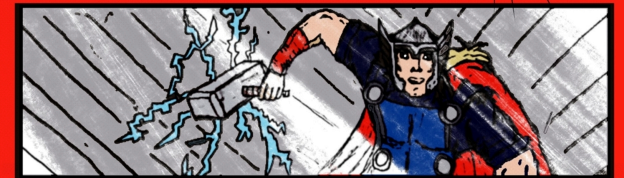
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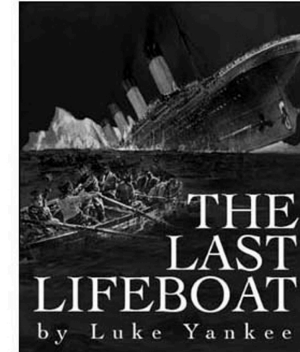
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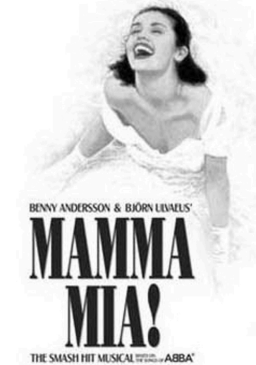
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Mom, Dad and Payton

*Annalise,
Villain on stage, but heroine at heart;
You are MARVELous in every part!
Love you always, Mom and Dad!*

We are so proud of you, Sage!

Congratulations Arianna! We are so proud of you and all your hard work and dedication! We are excited to watch you perform and look forward to seeing all you do this year in the theatre department! We love you, from Mom, Baba, and Angelina

We're nuts about Squirrel Girl! Have a great show Kate!
Love, Mom, Dad and Jake

So proud of you and all the work you do Luca! We love you so much!

Quinn, our very own super hero! Always so fun to watch you do what you love!
Love and Laughter, Mom, Dad, Keegan & EJ

*Mia, kill it like you always do. We are so proud of you. Break a leg!!!
Love, Mom, Dad, & Marissa!*

Break a Paw, Tess! We love you! Mom, Dad, and Huey

Kaylee - We are all so proud of you in every way! You shoot for the stars, kind to others, & always true to yourself. We love you so much!!!! Mom & Dad

Geneva High School GHS Auditorium

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Marvel Spotlight

Hammered - A Thor and Loki Play *and* Squirrel Girl Goes to College

Comedies By

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Emily Tuman
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Director

Drew Longo

Asst Director

Chris Arnett

Vocal Director

Jess Heinrich

Technical Director

Olivia Frullani

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Welcome to Geneva Community High School's performance of *Hammered - A Thor and Loki Play & Squirrel Girl Goes to College*. Our cast and crew have dedicated themselves to the creation of this production and they've had a lot of fun doing it. Their commitment to our drama and music programs underscores the rich tradition of excellence and success in our performing arts endeavors. I also want to thank our team of directors for their enthusiasm and commitment to our students.

We are extremely fortunate to receive tremendous support from the Geneva High School Theatre Boosters. Please consider supporting them by becoming a member and volunteering your time. They enrich our students' experiences by making things like this playbill possible and have been enhancing our theatre program with other "extras" for many years now. They would appreciate your help.

Thank you very much for your support as loyal patrons of Geneva's theatre productions. We hope you enjoy the performance!

Sincerely,

Tom Rogers
Principal



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To our beloved audience, the cast, technical crew and directors have worked endless hours to entertain you. We hope you enjoy the show.

A Special Thanks To

Tom Rogers, Melanie Major, Lisa Kanzler and the GHS administration for their continued and tireless support of our Theatre program.

Geneva Woodshop teacher Jay Markuson and his students Dale Waggoner, Braden Gilsinn, Dylan Clark and Charles Winterhalter for their creation of our Front of House signage.

The GHS Security and Custodial Staff for their invaluable help and support.

ALL the parents of the cast and crew! We couldn't do it without your talented kids and YOUR support.

The English Dept., Jeff Schmela, Dave Sherman, Dave Miller, Dave Omelka.

Thank you to the 2023-2024 Theatre Boosters, committee members and volunteers. We appreciate everything you do to support the students and directors throughout the entire season.

Jess Heinrich for her vocal direction and continued support of the theatre program.

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Squirrel Girl Goes to College

Scene 1	Empire State University
Scene 2	Outside the Dorm
Scene 3	Dorm
Scene 4	Classroom
Scene 5	Dorm
Scene 6	Classroom
Scene 7	Dorm
Scene 8	Classroom
Scene 9	Dorm
Scene 10	Classroom

Hammered - A Thor & Loki Play

Prologue	Earth
Interlude 1	The Cosmic Void
Scene 1	Thor's Bedroom
Scene 2	The Lockers
Scene 3	The Lecture Hall
Scene 4	Thor's Bedroom
Interlude 2	The Cosmic Void
Scene 5	The Mine, Two Years Later
Interlude 3	The Cosmic Void
Epilogue	Earth



Director's Note



How do you make friends? How do we fulfill the expectations we, and others, have for ourselves? Should we keep secrets from the people we care about? Can sibling rivalry be taken too far? Just what exactly are the powers of a squirrel? These are a few of the questions grappled with in the two plays presented by our talented students. While both are comedies, their power lies in their ability to ask questions that everyone has struggled with. Who hasn't made a mistake during a stressful time in their life? Marvel movies and TV series have taken the entertainment world by storm, and while some of that has to do with their amazing special effects, a lot of it is because of the very human stories they tell. Whether it's a high school kid bitten by a radioactive spider, a young man willing to undergo an experiment to help their country during war, or a woman brainwashed from a ballet dancer into an assassin, they all struggle on a very human level. Marvel superheroes are ultimately relatable: we see them trying to fit in with their peers or live up to the expectations everyone has for them, just like us.

Here at GHS, we can't exactly replicate the multi-million-dollar CGI of Marvel. But that's not why we go to the theater. We go to engage with ideas and witness characters struggle with the human experience. Our experience. Even though we may not have a magic hammer, the ability to shapeshift, or squirrel powers (whatever those are), the human experience is something we all have in common. In times of struggle and chaos, that's something worth remembering. Thank you for coming and supporting the performing arts and please enjoy the show!

Drew Longo
English Dept.



Sage Wilson

Sound

This is Sage's fifth production at GHS. She loves working in the sound booth and wants to thank Olivia for teaching her. She also wants to say thank you to the directors, especially the tech director, Ms. Frullani, the actors, and the entire tech crew!



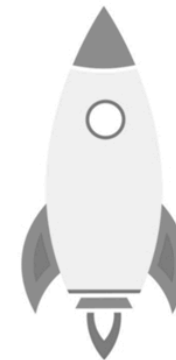
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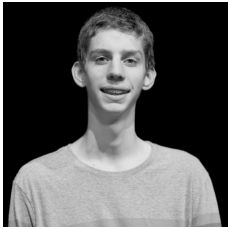


CREW WHO'S WHO



Penny McCutcheon *Co-Prop Master*

Penny is so excited to be doing tech for the fall play this year! This is her first time doing tech and she's had a ton of fun. She's really enjoyed learning new skills and hopes you enjoy the show!



Matthew Peerless *Lights*

Matthew is a sophomore at GHS and is very excited to be a part of the Fall Play! Matthew is going to be helping with the lights during the show, and he has been doing the same for this year's underclassmen show along with the shows that were presented last year. He hopes you enjoy the show that everyone has worked hard to prepare for!



Olivia Reich *Sound Manager*

Olivia is a senior and has been in tech crew for six years! She is happy to be involved in another GHS theatre production. She is the head soundboard operator and has been since her sophomore year. She plans to go to college for computer and political science. She thanks her family and fellow techies.



Cade Totman *Backstage*

Cade has been working backstage for many years, both in and out of school. She's thrilled to finally be trusted with power tools.



Emily Tuman *Assistant Stage Manager*

This is Emily's second year in tech crew. When she's not at tech or atrociously singing karaoke she's most likely at the Geneva Public Library. She is so proud of every member of this production and would like to thank Kylie and Ms. Frullani for always hyping her up. Enjoy the show!

CAST

Cast Members

Loki/Comic Book Geek & Freak	Quinn Beier
Atli & Squirrel Chorus #1/Student/ Nancy	Arielle Benjamin
The Herald & Tippy Toe	Mia DeMarco
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Ellisiv & Squirrel Chorus #2/Student/Little Tomas	Tess Engerman
Sif/Yearbook Editor & Nancy	Addisyn Ganz
Volstagg & Tomas Lara-Perez	Jackson Griebel
Heimdal & Squirrel Chorus #5/Student	Kaitlyn Huminsky
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Frigg/Hoenir & Smartnoggin/Mean Teacher	Kaylee Skeens
Cul & Doreen Green (Squirrel Girl)	Kate Wood

Production

Director	Drew Longo
Assistant Director	Chris Arnett
Technical Director	Olivia Frullani
Costume Coordinator	Stephanie Nemeth
Light Design	Jay Fontanetta
Student Director	Emilie Beaupre

CREW

Crew Members

Backstage	Abigail Bowgren
Stage Manager	Luca Colburn
Assistant Stage Manager	Lili Corbett
Backstage	Janelle Darnald
Backstage	Evan Eberhardt
Stage Manager	Rani Foard
Co-Prop Master	Ari Heckman
Backstage	Kayla Hobart
Lights Manager	Kelly Jaros
Backstage	Jacob Leon
Co-Prop Master	Penny McCutcheon
Lights	Matthew Peerless
Sound Manager	Olivia Reich
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Sound	Sage Wilson



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CREW WHO'S WHO



Rani Foard

Stage Manager

Rani Foard is ecstatic to be apart of theater this year! They have done numerous shows, including How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying, Addam's Family, and The Hunchback of Notre Dame. Rani is excited for her senior year, and would like to thank Mr. Cozzi and Ms. Frullani for their abundant patience and leadership.



Ari Heckman

Co-Prop Master

Ari has been involved in theater for all of her middle school years. Starting high school theater has been such an amazing experience. For this show, she decided to do crew instead of trying out for the play. She has had such a wonderful time and especially loves all the people on crew who have taught her so many things. She is so excited for her first show in tech and hopes you enjoy the show!



Kayla Hobart

Backstage

Kayla enjoys acting and singing and has appeared in GMSS's *The Wizard of Oz* as Grandma, Crow, and little Tot, as well as appearing in *Annie Jr.* at Playhouse 38 in 2014. This is her first time in tech crew and has enjoyed the experience of meeting new people, trying new things and being able to have fun with her friends after school.



Kelly Jaros

Lights Manager

Kelly is excited to be part of the Marvel Spotlight crew! She has enjoyed building on the skills she acquired in previous GHS productions and thanks Ms. Frullani for her encouragement. Kelly thanks his friends and family for all their support.



Jacob Leon

Backstage

Jacob is excited to be part of the Marvel Spotlight crew! He has enjoyed building on the skills he acquired in previous GHS productions and thanks Ms. Frullani for her encouragement. Jacob thanks his friends and family for all their support.

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Abigail Bowgren

Backstage

Abigail has been doing Tech Crew since 6th grade and she is so excited to do it again in High School. Shout out to her cousin Nora who got her into theater and Ms. Fru, Frullani and Fru Fri for being an amazing Tech Leader!



Luca Colburn

Stage Manager

Luca is excited to be part of the Marvel Spotlight crew! He has enjoyed building on the skills he acquired in previous GHS productions and thanks Ms. Frullani for her encouragement. Luca thanks his friends and family for all their support.



Lili Corbett

Assistant Stage Manager

Lili is so excited to be working on the set with tech for another fun show!! Watching a show come together is always so incredibly cool and it is no different for this one! She can't wait to see the final product!



Janelle Darnald

Backstage

A freshman, Janelle appeared in a third grade play of *Beauty and the Beast* as the candle man in the village. Never having been part of backstage before she is super excited to start it now. She enjoys helping build sets and hanging with her friends. She also appreciates all of Ms. Frullani's support through the weeks prior to the play.



Evan Eberhardt

Backstage

Evan is excited to be part of the Marvel Spotlight crew! He has enjoyed building on the skills he acquired in previous GHS productions and thanks Ms. Frullani for her encouragement. Evan thanks his friends and family for all their support.

WHO'S WHO



Emilie Beaupre

Student Director

Emilie is excited to be Student Director for the Marvel Spotlight production! She has enjoyed building on the skills she acquired in previous GHS productions and thanks Mr. Longo for his encouragement. Thanks to her friends and family for all their support.



Quinn Beier

as Loki/Comic Book Geek & Freak

A junior, you may have seen Quinn in *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, *The Hunchback Of Notre Dame*, and *Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind*. He is thrilled to be playing the roles of Loki/Freak in Geneva High School Theater's production of *Marvel Spotlight*.



Arielle Benjamin

*as Atli & Squirrel Chorus #1/
Student/Nancy*

This is Ari's fourth show at GHS however she has been acting since she was little. Some highlights of her acting career were performing in *Aladdin* (Jasmine), *10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse* (Susan), and *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. Outside of theater Ari enjoys singing, being outside, and babysitting when she can. Ari loves being in this show and hopes you enjoy.



Mia DeMarco

as The Herald & Tippy Toe

Mia DeMarco is a Senior at Geneva High School and is so excited to perform in her last fall play! Some of her favorite previous roles she has played include Ariel in *The Little Mermaid*, Wednesday in *The Addams Family*, and Heather Duke in *Heathers*. She wants to thank Mr. Longo and Mr. Arnett for making this experience so fun! She hopes you enjoy the show!



Brenden Dodds

as Thor/Jock & Doctor Doom

Brenden is beyond excited to be in this production at GHS. A senior, he has been in many productions including *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Demetrius), *The Diary of Anne Frank*, (Peter Van Daan) and *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* (Phoebus). He would like to thank the directors, cast and crew for another fun experience on the GHS stage and he hopes you enjoy the show!

WHO'S WHO



Tess Engerman

*as Ellisiv & Squirrel Chorus #2/
Student/Little Tomas*

Tess, a Junior, is thrilled to be in the Marvel Spotlights! Tess is not a stranger to the Geneva stage as you may have seen Tess in Diary of Anne Frank, playing Anne Frank or In Hunchback of Notre Dame, playing a Gargoyle. In her free time, Tess enjoys teaching piano, singing, and hanging out with friends. She would like to thank Mr. Longo for being an amazing director.



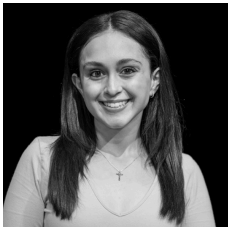
Addisyn Ganz *as Sif/Yearbook Editor & Nancy*

Addisyn is a Junior at GHS. She has been in multiple productions in and outside of school. Some of her favorite roles include Cady Heron in Mean Girls, Veronica Sawyer in Heathers and Florika in The Hunchback of Notre Dame.



Jackson Griebel *as Volstagg & Tomas Lara-Perez*

Jackson is thrilled to be making his high school theatre debut. Jackson has been a performer since a very young age and is ecstatic to be getting back into theatre. He has an extensive love of music and is quick to jump into an array of characters to make others smile. He hopes to captivate the audience as he portrays Tomas Lara-Perez and Volstagg.



Kaitlyn Huminsky *as Heimdal & Squirrel Chorus #5/Student*

A Senior, Kaitlyn enjoys performing and this year is celebrating her third year on the stage! She plans to graduate with honors, and attend Illinois State University, Special Education Program next fall. As a future teacher, she hopes to continue to use her theater background to encourage creativity, and have fun with her students!



Maddie Johnson *as Freyja & Squirrel Chorus #3/ Little Georgie*

Maddie is excited to be a part of Marvel Spotlight! Her favorite roles have been Margot (The Diary of Anne Frank), Genie (Aladdin), Mrs. Gloop (Willy Wonka) and Lucy (Charlie Brown Christmas). She enjoys hanging out with friends, singing, playing the piano, drawing, and painting. Maddie would like to thank everyone involved with putting on this spectacular show!

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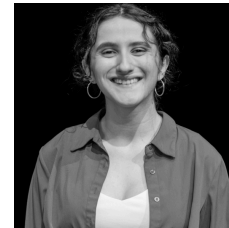
Meghan Monroe *as Fandral/Forseti & Brightmind/ Good Teacher*

Meghan is thrilled to be in her 11th production at GHS. She's previously been featured as Helena in "A Midsummer Night's Dream", Annabeth in "The Lightning Thief", Mrs. Van Daan in "The Diary of Anne Frank". Special thanks to Mr. Longo for his leadership & support and her various acting teachers throughout the years, without whom she would not be the actress she is today.



Arianna Paul *as Hogun & Squirrel Chorus #4/ Student/ Chipmunk*

A sophomore, Arianna is excited to be part of the fall play. This is her third show at GHS, including 10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse and The Hunchback of Notre Dame. Arianna loves to sing, read, dance, travel and spend time with family and friends. Arianna would like to thank her family for all their support and love!



Annie Policastro *as Thor Odinson/Odin & Modoc*

Annie is ecstatic for her third appearance at GHS! She's previously acted in "The Internet is Distract- Oh Look a Kitten!", "10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse", "Aladdin Jr.", and many more. Annie would like to thank her family & friends for their support, Mr. Longo for being an excellent director, and the cast and crew for making this experience memorable.



Kaylee Skeens *as Frigg/Hoenir & Smartnoggin/ Mean Teacher*

Kaylee is thrilled to be in this Marvel play! Whether cast or crew, she loves being part of GHS Theater. She would like to thank her friends for helping memorize lines, her castmates, the tech crew and especially Mr. Longo and Mr. Arnett. This was truly a wonderful experience, and she hopes you enjoy the show.



Kate Wood *as Cul & Doreen Green (Squirrel Girl)*

Kate is so excited to be in her first ever theater production! Although theater is new to Kate she has been a competitive dancer for six years. She's also enrolled in the Paramount School of the Arts Musical Theater Institute where she continues her Musical Theater training. Kate would like to thank her friends and family for always supporting her.