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## Geneva High School

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# Little Women

**By Louisa May Alcott  
Adapted by Thomas Hischak**

### Cast

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**Director/Technical Director**  
Jay Fontanetta

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Morgan Kennedy

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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.

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Congratulations on another wonderful performance Penny! We can't wait to see Little Women and know how hard yourself and the rest of the cast have worked.  
Break a leg!

**Congrats, Ella, we're so proud of you! Love Mom, Dad, and Jack**

Lorelai, Congratulations on your first show at GHS! We are so proud of you. Love, Mom, Dad, Michaela, Arabella, & Timothy

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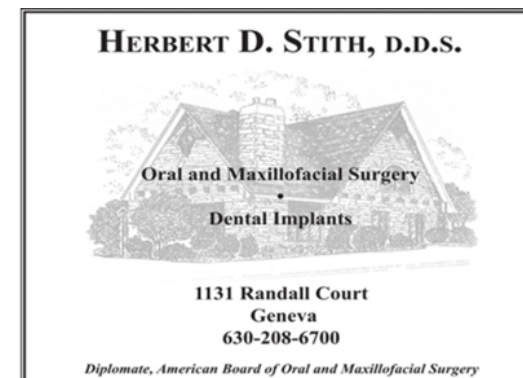


Louisa May Alcott was a woman many years ahead of her time. She was an independent woman long before that concept was tolerated. She was a professional writer, making her own way during a time when this was not merely difficult, but nearly unthinkable. Alcott introduces us to her passions through the character of Jo March, admittedly modeled after Alcott herself. This story of the famous March women -mother Marmee and daughters Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy, on their own in Concord, Mass. -was published in two parts, in 1868 and 1869. It still is embraced in part because Alcott's story, set with a Civil War background, is so relevant in contemporary times. In the play, Jo expresses her desire to "try my wings." This desire to live a passion-filled life is exemplified when the four sisters are acting out Jo's original melodrama, and later when Jo refuses to accept the rejections from small-minded publishers. While her family appreciated and loved Jo, the world took a much longer time to see what she had to offer. Indeed, "Little Women" is not afraid to make an issue of gender, namely asking how a young woman can find the path that leads away from society's expectations (wife and motherhood) and find the right way to make her mark and create something special on her own. Jo eventually found a willing partner in Professor Bhaer, who helped her bring to life all that was inside her.

May all my students try their wings.

We hope you enjoy Little Women, and as always, we thank you for your support of the performing arts.

**Jay Fontanetta**  
Director



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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.

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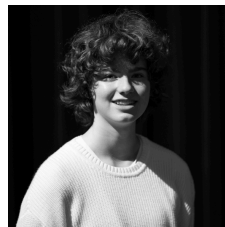
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## CREW WHO'S WHO



### Morgan Reid

*Crew*

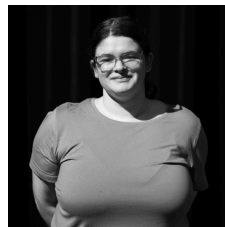
Megan is a freshman at Geneva High School and is thrilled to be a part of the Little Women crew.



### Zoey Silha

*Crew*

This is Zoey's third show at GHS. She would like to thank her friends, family, and beloved homegirl Rachael Davison for helping her power through this impactful journey.



### Emily Tuman

*Stage Manager*

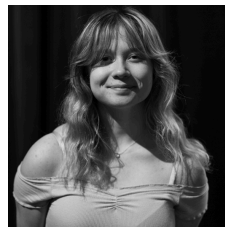
Emily is delighted to be a part of Geneva's production of "Little Women". Emily is a Junior and this is her third year in tech crew. She has previously worked on "A Christmas Carol" Stage managing alongside Lili Corbett. Emily would like to thank her fellow techies for their cooperation and dedication to the show. She hopes you enjoy the show!



### Matthew Wardinski

*Crew*

Matthew is a freshman at Geneva High School and is thrilled to be a part of the Little Women crew.



### Sage Wilson

*Sound Board Operator*

This is Sage's 11th show at GHS! She has been a part of tech crew since her freshman year, and will continue to be throughout the rest of high school. She would like to thank the directors and her fellow techies for making this show so fun to work on and be a part of!

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## CREW WHO'S WHO



### Maddie Levin

*Crew*

Maddie has really enjoyed being a part of the backstage crew! You may have seen her in The Great American College Tour and A Christmas Carol. This is her first time on tech, and she's very grateful to all the people, onstage and backstage, who helped make our shows happen.



### Abi Marczak

*Crew*

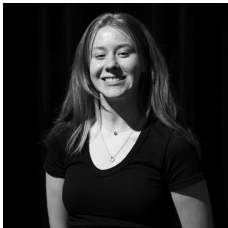
Abi is a freshman at Geneva High School and has enjoyed working on GHS' Little Women production. When Abi isn't on stage she is hanging out with her amazing friends and family. She would like to thank her mom, dad, and sister for supporting her throughout the school year.



### Reilly Newkirk

*Crew*

Reilly is very excited to be participating in tech for Little Women! While this is her first time on tech, she has participated in several shows in the past as an actor. She hopes you all enjoy the show!



### Gabs Pecaro

*Crew*

My name is Gabs Pecaro and I am a freshman here at GHS! I did crew in 8th grade and have been in crew for the last two plays. I am excited for Little Woman and for everyone to see how good it is!



### Matthew Peerless

*Light Board Operator*

Matthew is so excited for everyone to see Geneva's production of "Little Women"! Matthew has been a part of Geneva Theatre Tech since middle school, and always loves being up in the booth supporting his friends who are part of the cast. He hopes you enjoy the show!

## WHO'S WHO



### Quinn Beier

*Student Director*

Quinn is very excited to be assistant directing Little Women. It's a totally foreign experience from being on the stage and he can't wait for everyone to see the hard work that has gone into this show!



### Emelia Bellino

*as Mrs. Kirke / Katy*

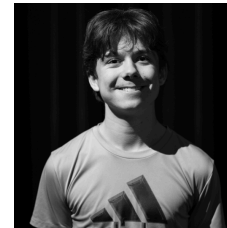
This is Emelia's 4th show here at the high school and she has had so much fun! Some of her favorite roles include Belle from Beauty and the Beast and Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz. Emelia would like to thank her family and friends for always supporting her, and the director and cast for making this show amazing!



### Marianne Crowley

*as Amy March*

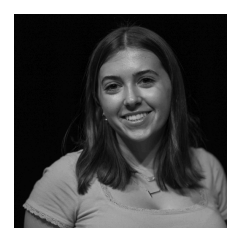
Marianne is excited to be performing in her third production at GHS, having been in The Great American College Tour and A Christmas Carol. Favorite previous roles include Viola in Twelfth Night, Jasmine in Aladdin, and Anna in Frozen. She thanks her family, friends, and the creative team, cast, and crew of Little Women for their support.



### Isaac Eichelberger

*as Mr. March*

Isaac is a freshman at GHS and he is ecstatic to be part of Little Women. You may have seen him in A Christmas Carol or The Great American College Tour, and this will be his third show year. He is quite thankful to be a part of this show alongside his talented cast, crew, and directors. Besides theater he enjoys singing and playing electric guitar.



### Tess Engerman

*as Beth March*

Tess is DYING for you to see Little Women!! You may have seen her on the GHS stage in Mamma Mia, playing Rosie, A Christmas Carol, playing Ghost of Christmas Past, and The Diary of Anne Frank, playing Anne Frank. She is overjoyed that you are here today as this is her dream show- thank you Font for making the dream come true.

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## WHO'S WHO



### Addisyn Ganz

*as Aunt March*

Addisyn Ganz is a Senior at GHS!! She enjoys doing theatre inside and outside of school! She has previously been seen as Donna in Mamma Mia (Geneva High School), Annabeth in The Lightning Thief (Stageworks), and Ocean in Ride The Cyclone (Stageworks). She enjoys working with social media, choreographing, and spending time with family and friends!



### Jackson Griebel

*as John Brooke*

Jackson is ecstatic to be performing in Little Women! His heart aches for the stage, and after missing auditions for A Christmas Carol, he has awaited performing on stage with bated breath. He has missed acting onstage with his friends and is glad to be back. He has a big heart for theatre and cannot wait for everyone to see the show.



### Arianna Heckman

*as Clara Moffat*

Ari is super excited for Little Women! She was recently in GHS's production of A Christmas Carol as Tiny Tim. She loves working with the cast, crew, and directors and can't wait to perform onstage with her friends. She hopes you enjoy the show!



### Sophie Julian

*as Mrs. Moffat / Minnie*

Sophie is a junior at GHS this year. She played the role of "Bag Lady" in the production of A Christmas Carol in the fall and is extremely grateful to be participating in Little Women. Sophie likes baking bread and gardening and is excited for Suessical this spring!



### Morgan Kennedy

*Assistant Student Director*

Morgan loves the book and movie Little Women. When she gets older she wants to become a screenwriter and director. When the announcement of this play came up she knew she had to hop on board! This is her first time stepping into a directing position. She is so grateful for this opportunity and is loving every moment.

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## CREW WHO'S WHO



### Morgan Hall

*Crew*

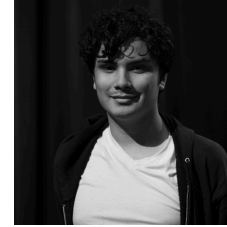
Morgan is a freshman at Geneva High School and is thrilled to be a part of the Little Women crew.



### Kinsey Horne

*Crew*

Kinsey is a freshman at Geneva High School and is thrilled to be a part of the Little Women crew.



### Aaron Hosman

*Crew*

Aaron Hosman is a junior here at GHS and this is his third show in TECH. He is excited for people to see the show and see the sets that TECH crew has been working on.



### Mila Kournetas

*Sound Board Operator*

Mila is so excited to share this production with her friends and family. This is her 8th show with the Geneva school district. She loves doing tech and loves the community of people she has become a part of because of tech. She would like to thank everyone she has met in tech for being so welcoming and become like a second family.



### Jacob Leon

*Crew*

This is Jacob's 6th show here at GHS. He is very excited to be building. In his free time, he likes to draw, bake, and play Xbox.

## CREW WHO'S WHO



**Lili Corbett**

*Stage Manager*

Lili is super hyped to work on Little Women! They're very happy to continue meeting and working with the new techies and old techies! She would like to thank their friends and family who have kept supporting her through her years in theatre!



**Rachael Davison**

*Crew*

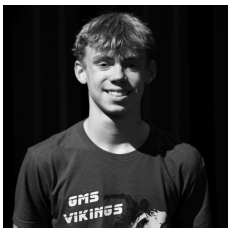
Rachael is beyond thrilled to be a part of the making of Little Women! She would like to thank her fellow tech members for being there for her. Rachael would especially love to thank her queen, Zoey Silha, for being the light she needed in this performance!



**Ella Downing**

*Crew*

Ella is excited to be in stage crew. She is a Freshman and has been in two GHS productions thus far. She played Cal in the Great American College Tour and a Caroler in A Christmas Carol. Prior roles include Winifred Banks in Mary Poppins and Grandma Josephina in Willy Wonka, both at Playhouse 38. Ella loves music; she is in choir and plays violin.



**Joey Edwards**

*Crew*

Joey is a freshman at Geneva High School and is thrilled to be a part of the Little Women crew.



**David Fronczak**

*Crew*

David is a sophomore at Geneva High School and is thrilled to be a part of the Little Women crew.

## WHO'S WHO



**Penny McCutcheon**

*as Hannah / Kitty*

Penny is a sophomore and is thrilled to be a part of Little Women as her sixth show at GHS! You may have seen her in this year's fall play, A Christmas Carol, or last year's musical, Mamma Mia! She would like to thank her friends and family for all their support.



**Maeve Olechowski**

*as Jo March*

Christopher Columbus! Maeve is thrilled to be playing Jo in "Little Women." You may have seen her as the Ghost of Christmas Present in "A Christmas Carol." Outside of theater, Maeve enjoys music, art, and caring for her plants. She hopes you enjoy the show!



**Lorelai Olson**

*as Meg March*

Lorelai is so excited to be Meg in her first GHS Theatre production. Some of her favorite past roles include Queen of Hearts in Alice in Wonderland, Lord Farquard in Shrek, Little Elsa in Frozen, Cedric Diggory in Puffs, and Rabbit in Winnie the Pooh. Lorelai would like to thank her family for all of their support, especially her mom.



**Dain Reiner**

*as Professor Bhaer*

Appearing in his 8th show and last play at GHS, Senior Dain Reiner is thrilled to perform the part of Professor Bhaer. You may have seen him recently performing in A Christmas Carol (Bob Cratchit) or last year in the Pit Band of Mamma Mia on keys. Dain wants to thank his lifelong friends in the cast, crew, and crowd for all they've done. Danke!



**Ella Riviere**

*as Mrs. Tomlinson / Sarah*

Ella is a freshman and is so excited to perform in her second show at GHS! Ella has been in theater since she was in third grade, and some of her favorite roles she's played are Teen Fiona in Shrek Jr. and Rajah in Aladdin Jr. She would like to thank her family and friends for all their support, and she hopes you enjoy Little Women!

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## WHO'S WHO



### Kaylee Skeens

*as Marmee*

Kaylee Skeens is elated to be in Little Women as Marmee. Kaylee has played roles such as Ocean in Ride the Cyclone, Clarisse in The Lightning Thief, Marley in A Christmas Carol, and more. She would like to thank the cast for being like a second home this past month. She hopes you enjoy the production and maybe even feel a part of the family.



### Alex Urban

*as Laurie*

Alex is very excited for everyone to see Little Women! Alex has previously been in A Christmas Carol as Fred, in Mamma Mia as Harry, and in The Hunchback of Notre Dame as a Statue! Alex wants to thank all friends and family for their continuous support throughout his years in high school theatre.



### Cameron Winsininski

*as Mr. Laurence*

This is Cameron's 4th show here at Geneva High School. He has had a blast portraying Mr Laurence in this year's winter show. You may have seen him before in past productions like The Last Lifeboat, Mamma Mia, and A Christmas Carol. He is excited to perform Little Women with his peers tonight!



### Kate Wood

*as Josephine March*

Kate is so excited to be in another GHS theater production! You may have seen Kate on the GHS stage as Squirrel Girl in Marvel Spotlight or Vivian in The Last Lifeboat. Outside of Geneva, Kate is enrolled in the Paramount School of the Arts Musical Theater Institute where she continues her theater training.



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## CREW WHO'S WHO



### Viktoria Allabaugh

*Crew*

Little Women is Viktoria's 3rd production at GHS and she is having so much fun so far. Viktoria is so excited for the end result of all the hard work that she and her fellow crew and castmates have put into this show!



### Megan Allen

*Crew*

Megan is a freshman at Geneva High School and is thrilled to be a part of the Little Women crew.



### Mars Beigel

*Crew*

Mars is very excited to be on tech for the first time during her high school drama career! She has been in Hunchback of Notre Dame and Mamma Mia and looks forward to auditioning for Suessical! She is so thankful for this opportunity and hopes you enjoy the show!!!!



### Abigail Bowgren

*Crew*

This is Abigail and she cannot wait to show off Tech's hard work. She has loved getting to build the double sided set as it was something new. Outside of Tech she enjoys reading, shopping, baking and hanging out with friends. She'd like to thank her family, friends and the other techies for being so supportive. Please enjoy GHS's Little Women!



### Adyn Colon

*Crew*

Heyyy I'm Adyn and I like turkey and working with wooden carts because they remind me of working with my mom and riding them was the best part.