The Wilson Music Parents Association and the Wilson Middle/High School Music Department presents

Seussical the Musical

Music by Lyrics by Stephen Flaherty

and

Lynn Ahrens

Book by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty

Co-Conceived by Lynn Ahrens,

Stephen Flaherty and Eric Idle

Based on the works of Dr. Seuss

SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL CAST

HORTON THE ELEPHANT	DYLAN APPIS
JOJO	LOGAN CRUZ
CAT IN THE HAT WY	YATT THOMAS
GERTRUDE MCFUZZ	HALEIGH KOPP
MRS MAYOR	ASSIE RANNEY
MR. MAYOR	UDE CYPHERT
MAYZIE LABIRD MELISSA	A DIPASQUALE
SOUR KANGAROO	RAYN COOPER
GENERAL GENGHIS KAHN SCHMITZ	.BELLA ESTEP
BIRD GIRLSSOPHIE EVEREST, SAV	VANNA JONES,
N	IATALIA WARD
WICKERSHAM BROTHERS MIKAILA AK	ERS, KENNEDY
ANDREWS, CASPIA	N GUSTAFSON
VLAD VLADIKOFF	.DEAN CLARK
YERTLE THE TURTLEELLA	A INGWERSEN
MAX THE DOG	. JOE GREENE
THING 1 AND THING 2 KINSLEY KOPP, REE	SE WOOLSON

<u>CADETS:</u> LOGAN CRUZ, CHARLOTTE FAY, MEADOW SYNDER, ABBY POUND, HARPER ZIMMERMAN, JOE GREENE, HENRY SROCK

<u>FISH</u>: YEARDLEY GEORGE, NATALIE SHACKELFORD, RYLEE FAUCETT, REESE REYNOLDS

<u>CIRCUS PERFORMERS:</u> YEARDLEY GEORGE, NATALIE SHACKELFORD, RYLEE FAUCETT, REESE REYNOLDS

HUNTERS: CLARA FERDINAND, LUCY METRO, TEAGAN KROPP, KAILYN GENTILE

<u>HUNCHES:</u> CLARA FERDINAND, LUCY METRO, TEAGAN KROPP, KAILYN GENTILE, YEARDLEY GEORGE, NATALIE SHACKLEFORD

<u>ANIMALS:</u> REESE REYNOLDS, RYLEE FAUCETT, ANNA HENRY, KAILYN GENTILE, ELLA STEPHENS, MASON PADUANO

WHOS: YEARDLEY GEORGE, NATALIE SHACKELFORD, CLARA FERDINAND, LUCY METRO, TEAGAN KROPP, CHARLOTTE FAY, HARPER ZIMMERMAN, MEADOW SNYDER, JOE GREENE, HENRY SROCK

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REED 3: RACHEL BIRKMAN (FLUTE, BARITONE SAXOPHONE, CLARINET)

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Shout Outs

Haleigh Grace, When you sang in your first musical in 7th grade, we had no idea that theater would become such a big part of life for our family. Now seeing you perform in your senior show is definitely bittersweet. We love watching you on stage doing what you love to do. We hope you always find joy in performing and that you will forever keep singing. Remember— when words fail, music speaks! (and yes, theater can be your sport!) We are so proud of you! Lots of love, Mom, Dad, Carter and Kinsley

Kennedy, Oh, the things you can do when you dare to be you! As Dr. Seuss says, "To the world you may be one person; but to one person, you may be the world." Kennedy, you are our world, and we are so lucky to know and love you. From the moment you step on stage, you bring joy, heart, and a little bit of magic to everyone around you. Keep being uniquely YOU—because that's the most wonderful thing of all! Bravo to you, our shining star, Dad, Mom, Teddy, and Lucas

Dear Cassie: From Scarlett to Mrs. Mayor in a year! Couldn't be more proud, ugly duckling! From Mom!

Haleigh Grace, We are so proud of you! You are our shining star! We have always loved to watch you sing and perform with all your heart. Believe in yourself and your dreams. They really can come true! Love. Gramma and Grampa

Congratulations Haleigh! Seeing you from Little Mermaid and Gentleman's Guide has been such an amazing privilege and I am so proud of you! You showed up and showed me something more and I have noticed how amazing you're doing!! I'm so so proud of you! Love, Jonathan

Wyatt- Go forth and shine bright in all you do! Good luck and have fun. Love, Mom and Dave

Rylee- We are so proud of you and your dedication to the show. Best of Luck! Love, Mom, Dad and Kenley!

Harper- "You'll never be bored when you try something new. There's really no limit to what you can do!" ~ Dr. Seuss Love, Dad, Mom and Hunter



KENNEDY ANDREWS (Wickersham Brother) is in 7th grade. She was in last year's Wilson Middle School production of Willy Wonka, Jr. as Violet Beauregarde; she also appeared in Mary Poppins, Jr. (Clerk/ensemble). Kennedy also sings in chorus, and enjoys music in general, reading and playing field hockey. Kennedy wishes to say to her family and friends: "I am eternally grateful that all of you are so supportive of my journey as an actress. I love you all!"



DYLAN APPIS (Horton the Elephant) is a Senior. Productions: Shrek the Musical (BigBad Wolf); All Shook Up (ensemble); Shea's original production Evil Koalas (Antwon); Clue! Onstage (Mr. Green). Dylan enjoys musical theatre and volleyball. To Dylan's friends and family, he says: "Thank you for everything! Even for listening to me belt your eardrums out!"



RAYN COOPER (Sour Kangaroo) is a Senior, and has appeared in many Wilson productions over the years, including: Shrek, Jr.; The Nuncrackers; Rodgers andHammerstein's Cinderella (Stepsister); Disney's The Little Mermaid (Ursula); AGentlemen's Guide to Love and Murder (Lady Hyacinth D'Ysquith/Lord BartholomewD'Ysquith /Magistrate). Rayn has also been singing in chorus and variety show solossince 4th grade; Rayn has also been selected for NYSSMA Area-All-State choruses for the past 4 years, and this year was also selected for the Conference All-State MixedChorus.In addition to singing, Rayn enjoys being with her friends and "being sassy!". In the future, Rayn's goals are to become an Army officer, and plans to become a mom and have a family.



JUDE CYPHERT (Mr. Mayor) is a Freshman, and has appeared in many plays and musicals over the past several years, including: Madagascar (Melman the Giraffe);Disney's The Little Mermaid (Sebastian); A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder(Lord Asquith D'Ysquith, Sr./Adalbert D'Ysquith); Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka JR. (WillyWonka); Almost, Maine (Steve/Dave); and Clue! Onstage (Wadsworth). Outside of Wilson, Jude has been in productions of Alice in Wonderland (Mad Hatter)Jude has been singing in school choral ensembles since 3rd grade. He has also been selected for numerous All-County choruses, as well as NYSSMA Jr. High Area-All-State Chorus in grades 7, 8, and 9.In addition to singing, Jude enjoys studying History: in the future he would like to go to Syracuse University and study ancient history and become a teacher. To his family and friends, Jude says "Thank you all for supporting me through all of these shows and always being there for me."



ANTHONY ENZINNA (stage management team) is a Senior. Anthony has been on the backstage crew for nearly all of his middle school/high school career, including Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella, The Bottom of the Lake, Madagascar, Disney's The Little Mermaid; A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder; Almost, Maine, Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka JR.; and Clue! Onstage. Anthony enjoys long Saturday practices; Upon graduation, Anthony would either like to become a forester or forest technician out in the Redwoods.



MELISSA "Missy" DIPASQUALE (Mayzie LaBird) is a Senior and has appeared in many musical productions over her years at Wilson, including: Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella (ensemble); Disney's The Little Mermaid (Scuttle); A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder (Miss Shingle). Missy has been singing in Wilson choruses since 3rd grade, and has also been selected for NYSSMA Area-All-State Choruses the past 2 years. Missy's goal upon graduating from high school is to go college and study chemistry.

ISABELLA ESTEP (General Gengus Khan Schmitz), or "Bella" is a 2024 graduate of Wilson H.S. . Bella has lived in many parts of the country, and just prior to moving to Wilson, played "Ronnette" in Little Shop of Horrors at Lewiston-Porter H.S. Upon coming to Wilson H.S., Bella performed in Disney's The Little Mermaid (Flounder) and A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder (Sibella). She also joined Chorus (ensemble) her senior year, and sang solos in various performances. She also was selected for All-County chorus.Bella studied auto mechanics in the BOCES program, and is currently in the workforce while she considers where her journey will take her next. Bella wishes to thank her family and friends for all of their support, both while she was still in high school and since.



ELLA INGWERSEN (Yertle the Turtle/Ensemble) is a Senior. Ella came into the theatre fold here at Wilson just a year ago, when she played "Marvalyn" in Almost, Maine. Last fall, Ella played "Yvette", the French Maid, in Clue: Onstage. Ella also has been playing flute in Wilson school bands since 4th grade. She also enjoys painting and riding horses, which she has been doing since first grade. Ella has also been on the Wilson Cross Country team for four years. Ella's goals include becoming a Navy officer and to get a degree in nuclear engineering. Ella would like to thank her family and friends: "Thanks for the support! I could never have done it without you."



HALEIGH KOPP (Gertrude McFuzz) is a Senior, and has done numerous roles in plays and musicals. Wilson productions include: Shrek the Musical (Young Fiona/ensemble); The Bottom of the Lake (Dani); Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella (ensemble); Disney's The Little Mermaid (Aquata); A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder (Phoebe D'Ysquith); Willy Wonka, Jr. (Mr. Salt). Haleigh has also participated in Lake Plains Players productions of: Frozen, Jr. (Ensemble); Beauty and the Beast, Jr. (Ensemble); Mary Poppins, Jr. (Mrs. Boil). In addition to singing and spending time with family and friends, Haleigh and her family enjoy attending many other productions at other area high schools, as well as professional musical theatre productions. Haleigh has been a member of the Wilson choral ensembles every year since 3rd grade, and has also been selected to all-county Vocal Jazz, Choruses, and NYSSMA Area-All-State. Haleigh also has played clarinet in Band since 4th grade, Tenor Saxophone in the high school Jazz Band and also played in the Pep Band.

Haleigh would like to "take a moment to thank everyone who has supported me for 9-10 years of my life. From the countless hours of driving, making props, costumes, and sets, my wonderful parents have been there through it all. To my boyfriend Jonathan, thank you for all of the hours of supporting my passion for music and theatre, and always being there for me.



CASSANDRA ("Cassie") RANNEY (Mrs. Mayor) is a Junior, and has been involved in many productions here at Wilson, both plays and musicals, Including: Shrek the musical (Ugly Duckling) Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella (ensemble); Madagascar, Jr. (Alex the Lion); The Bottom of the Lake (Lindsey, Carissa Cranberry); Disney's The Little Mermaid (Adella); A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder (Miss Barley, Alfred, ensemble); Almost, Maine (Marvalyn/Sandrine/Marcy) and Clue! Onstage (Miss Scarlet). She has also been in various productions at her church. She enjoys singing, and has been studying voice privately. She has been selected for all-county and NYSSMA area-all-state choruses, and has been singing in Wilson choral ensembles since 3rd grade. Cassie also plays in the high school band and jazz ensemble. Cassie's goal upon graduation is to go to Buffalo State College to study Music Education and later become an elementary music teacher. Cassie would like to thank her friends and family "for all of your help and support through the years." To Mrs. Andres: "I appreciate you so much, you have guided me through most of my high school career. I will continue to grow with your words and wisdom!"



NATALIA WARD (Bird girl/animal). Natalia is a Senior and is making her stage debut in Seussical. Natalia has also been a member of Wilson Choral ensembles since 3rd grade, and has been selected for All-County chorus and NYSSMA Area-All-State mixedchorus. In addition to singing, Natalia enjoys hanging out with friends. In the future, she would like to work in the field of psychology. To her friends and family, Natalia says: "Thank you so much to my mom for supporting me in everything I do; Paul and Hayley for getting me through school; and many other friends for always being there for me."



LOGAN CRUZ (Jojo) Logan is in 7th grade and has been involved in Willy Wonka Jr.(Charlie Bucket), a role that gave him courage to participate in future plays! Logan enjoys hanging out with his family and playing with his two dogs. In the future, he would like to become a doctor. Logan wants to help people and find cures for diseases and become a pediatrician so that he can help children. "I especially want to thank my family for always supporting and encouraging me to always push myself to be the best version of me. They have always backed me 100% and tell me how proud they are of me. I have family that travels all the way from Pittsburgh, PA to support me! It means so much to me and I love them all very much!"



WYATT THOMAS (The Cat in the Hat) is a Junior, and has appeared in nearly all of the plays and musicals her at Wilson since early 2020 when he was in *Shrek, The musical* (Baby Bear, Young Shrek). Other theatre credits include *Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella* (Knight/peasant/ensemble); *The Bottom of the Lake* (Simon Silvershoes/Hook Hand); *Disney's The Little Mermaid* (Chef Louis/pirate/ensemble; *A Gentlemen's Guide to Love and Murder* (Henry D'Ysquith/Lady Salome D'Ysquith /ensemble); *Almost, Maine* (Pete/Jimmy/Lendall/Phil/Daniel); *Clue! Onstage* (Professor Plum). Wyatt has also sung in Wilson school choruses since 3rd grade, and been selected for all-county Chorus and NYSSMA Sr. High Area-All-State Chorus. Wyatt enjoys music, crystals, bugs and jewelry. In the future he would like to start a small business and become a professional actor, or "go with the flow and see where the universe takes me". To his friends and family, Wyatt says: "Thanks for being there to support me!. Love ya'll! Happy early Birthday, Emma Lee!"



MIKAILA AKERS (Wickersham brother) is in eighth grade. Last year she played "Mike TV" in Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka JR.. Mikaila enjoys video games and drawing. In the future she would like to become an artist. To her friends, she says: "Never forget to monkey around!"



SOPHIE EVEREST (Bird Girl) is a Freshman. She has appeared in the following Wilson productions: Madagascar (Foosa); Disney's The Little Mermaid (Maid/ensemble); RoaldDahl's Willy Wonka JR. (Mrs. Beauregard) Almost, Maine (Chad/Rhonda); Clue!Onstage (Mrs. Peacock). Sophie also has been a member of the backstage Crew,including: Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella; The Little Mermaid(Maid/ensemble); The Little Mermaid. Sophie has also sung in Wilson school chorus since 3rd grade.Sophie enjoys "block blast"; In the future, Sophie would like to study medical sciences and work in the delivery room as a doctor or nurse. To her friends and family,Sophie would like to say "Thank you for encouraging me to step outside my comfort zone, you truly made me what I am today."



CASPIAN GUSTAFSON (Wickersham Brother) is a Freshman, and has appeared in the following Wilson productions: The Little Mermaid (Sailor, Leeward/ensemble); The LittleMermaid (Chauncy D'Ysquith/Walter Waters/Ensemble); Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka JR.(Grandpa Joe). Caspian has been singing in Wilson choral ensembles since 3rd grade, and has been selected for several All-County Choruses, and for NYSSMA Jr. HighArea-All-State chorus. Caspian also studies piano privately. Apart from music, Caspian also enjoys pizza and basketball. In the future he would like to go into marketing and stocks. To his parents, he would like to say: "Thanks for taking me to rehearsals and to basketball at the same time. I know all of my activities at school cost you a lot of time and money this winter. Just thank you for making it possible for me to experience both.



SAVANNA JONES (Bird Girl) is a Sophomore, and has appeared in the following Wilson productions: Madagascar (News reporter/animal ensemble); Disney's The LittleMermaid (Arista/Jellyfish). Savanna has sung in Wilson choruses since 3rd grade, and has also been selected for All-County choruses, and has three times been chosen forNYSSMA Area-All-State Choruses. Apart from singing, Savanna loves to read, draw, play volleyball, and wrestle. In the future, Savanna would like to attend BOCES for car retailing or welding, and hope to turn those skills into a career. She would like to continue her hobbies even after she becomes an adult. To her friends and family, Savanna would like to say: "Special thanks to everyone who has to put up with my complaining about something I choose to do!

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Act I

•	"Overture"	Orchestra/The Boy Who Thinks	
•	"Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!"	The Cat in the Hat and Company	
•	"Horton Hears a Who"	Bird Girls, Horton the Elephant,	
		and Citizens of the Jungle of Nool	
•	"Biggest Blame Fool"	Sour Kangaroo, Young	
		Kangaroo, Horton the Elephant,	
		Wickersham Brothers, Bird Girls,	
		Gertrude McFuzz, Mayzie LaBird,	
		Citizens of the Jungle, the Boy	
		and The Cat	
•	"Here on Who"	The Mayor, Mrs. Mayor, The	
		Grinch, Whos, Schmitz and Horton	
•	"Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!	(Reprise) Cat, JoJo	
•	"It's Possible (in McElligot's Poo	l) JoJo, Cat in the Hat, and Fish	
•	"How to Raise a Child"	The Mayor and Mrs. Mayor	
•	"The Military"	General Genghis Khan Schmitz,	
		Cadets, Cat in the Hat	
•	"Alone in the Universe"	Horton the Elephant and JoJo	
•	"The One Feather Tail of Miss Gertrude McFuzz" Gertrude		
•	"Amazing Mayzie"	Mayzie LaBird, Gertrude, Bird Girls	
•	"Amazing Gertrude"	Gertrude and Bird Girls	
•	"Monkey Around"	Wickersham Brothers	
•	"Chasing the Whos"	Sour Kangaroo, Young Kangaroo,	
		Bird Girls, Wickersham Brothers,	
		The Cat in the Hat, Horton, Vlad	
		Vladikoff, Whos, Citizens of the Jungle	
•	"How Lucky You Are"	The Cat in the Hat	
•	"Notice Me, Horton"	Gertrude McFuzz, Horton	
•	"How Lucky You Are" (Reprise)	Mayzie LaBird, Cat	
•	"Horton Sits on the Egg / Act I Fi		
		JoJo, Whos, Bird Girls, Ensemble	

Act II

"Entr'acte" Orchestra "Egg, Nest, and Tree" Sour Kangaroo, Bird Girls, Wickersham Brothers, Cat, Hunters "The Circus McGurkus" The Cat in the Hat, Horton and Circus Animals "The Circus on Tour/How Lucky You Are (reprise) Horton, Cat Circus Members "Mayzie in Palm Beach" Mayzie, Cat "Amazing Horton" Mayzie, Horton "Alone in the Universe" (Reprise) Horton "Solla Sollew" Horton, Circus McGurkus members, JoJo, Mayor, Mrs. Mayor "Green Eggs and Ham II" Cadets, Schmitz, Jojo "A Message from the Front"/ "Solla Sollew" (reprise) Cadets. Schmitz, Mayor, Mrs. Mayor "All for You" Gertrude, Horton and Bird Girls "The People Versus Horton the Elephant" Cat, Yertle the Turtle, Horton, Sour Kangaroo, Bird Girls, Wickershams, Mayor, Mrs. Mayor Young Kangaroo, Ensemble, Jojo "Yopp!/ "Alone in the Universe" (Reprise) Gertrude, Horton "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!" (Finale Act II) **Full Company** Curtain Call / "Green Eggs and Ham" **Full Company**





To our dear teacher, so brilliant and bright, You've made every rehearsal feel just right! With a wink and a smile, you've led us along, Now we're here to say, "Thanks for the song!"

From Horton to Seuss, and the Cat's crazy hat, You've shown us the magic, and we loved all of that! You've taught us to dance, to sing, and to play, And to never be shy to shout, "Hey!"

From Pirates to Phantom, 42nd Street and more You've been a part of so many- great shows galore! You've shouted, we've listened, we've all shed some tears, We've grown so much because of you all these years!

Now as the curtain prepares to fall, We shout "Thank you!"—yes, one and all! For all of the memories, the joy, and the cheer, We'll carry your lessons far and near.

Though this may be your final bow, We'll keep singing your praises, here and now. With a twirl, a skip, and a tap of the shoe, This "thank you" is silly, but oh-so-true!

Mrs. Andres, we know you probably didn't want this attention but we couldn't go without saying "because we know you, we have been changed for good!"

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