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BYE BYE BIRDIE

A Production of
METROPOLITAN
PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY'S

Book by MICHAEL STEWART
Lyrics by LEE ADAMS
Music by CHARLES STROUSE
Directed by NOAH SCOTT
Musical Direction by REBECCA CHELSON

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Warmest Regards,
Noah Scott, Creative Director

From the Director

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We hope you will join the Metropolitan Performing Arts Family in our goal to instruct, cultivate, nurture and enhance the lives of our students ages 6 to adult. If you have any questions feel free to contact us.

HELLO METROPOLITAN, THIS IS HARVEY JOHNSON. CAN I SPEAK TO NOAH SCOTT?

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Cast of Characters

ALBERT PETERSON .............................. Tommy “Silky” Silk
ROSE ALVAREZ .............................. Hannah Nystrom
CONRAD BIRDIE .............................. Ryan Mayfield
MR. HARRY MacAFEE ....................... Brandon Watkins
MRS. DORIS MacAFEE ...................... Astrid Dubois
KIM MacAFEE ................................. Rachael Babilon
RANDOLPH MacAFEE ...................... Christian Browning
HUGO PEABODY ............................... Donivan Quintero
MRS. MAE PETERSON ......................... Maddie Sanders
GLORIA RASPUTIN ........................... Gabby Davin
MAYOR ......................................... Andrew Pongratz
MAYOR’S WIFE (EDNA) ................. Lizzy Babilon
MRS. MERKLE ................................. Hailey Parkison
1ST REPORTER .............................. Alexei Kendall-Bray
2ND REPORTER .............................. Lily Ray
3RD REPORTER .............................. Gabby Davin
BARTENDER (MAUDE) ..................... Lyfe Allen

URSULA MERKLE ............................. Sayge Sword
DEBORAH SUE ................................. Kelly Jung
MARGIE ............................. Aubrey Porter
ALICE ............................... Maria Matteo
HELEN ..................................... Rylee Petersen
NANCY .................................. Kiara Kennington
PENELOPE ................................. Natalie Stromberg
SUZIE ................................... Ellie Kerbs
CHARITY .................................. Mardee Willman
FAITH ..................................... Natalie Caputo
HOPE ...................................... Kaitlyn Wilder
HARVEY JOHNSON ......................... Jason Bernheimer
JOHNNY .................................. Sebastian Hauskins
ROBBY ................................... William Duff
BOBBY .................................. Alexei Kendall-Bray
KARL .................................... Ryan Caputo

SAD GIRL / NEW YORK CHORUS .......... Natalie Caputo, Elle Caudle, Maddie Gebhard, April Joe, Jane Lambert, Melissa Matteo, Jessica Sortors, Kaitlyn Wilder, and Mardee Willman

KIDS CHORUS ...................................... Jewell Allen, Elizabeth Brown, Mary Lambert, and Ariah Sanve

ADULT CHORUS .............................. Lyfe Allen, Lizzy Babilon, Kaitie Chamberlain, Gabby Davin, Hailey Parkison, Andrew Pongratz, and Lily Ray

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Musical Numbers

- ACT 1 -

OPENING “We Love You Conrad” ................................................................. Teen Girls

SCENE 1 Office of Almaelou
“English Teacher” .................................................................................. Rosie
“English Teacher Tag” ............................................................................. Rosie

SCENE 2 Sweet Apple, Ohio
“Telephone Hour” .................................................................................. Sweet Apple Teens

SCENE 3 MacAfee Home, Sweet Apple
“How Lovely To Be A Woman” .............................................................. Kim MacAfee

SCENE 4 Pennsylvania Station, New York
“Put On A Happy Face” .......................................................................... Albert
“A Healthy Normal American Boy” ..................................................... Albert, Rosie, Teens, Reporters
“Penn Station to Sweet Apple (We Love You Conrad)” ......................... Teens
“Sweet Apple Band” ............................................................................. Ohio Teens

SCENE 5 Railroad Station, Sweet Apple
“One Boy” ............................................................................................... Kim, Hugo and Teen Girls
“Honestly Sincerely” .............................................................................. Conrad and Teens

SCENE 6 Outside MacAfee House
“Wounded” ............................................................................................. Ursula and Lead Teen Girls

SCENE 7 MacAfee Home, Sweet Apple
“Hymn for a Sunday Evening” ............................................................... MacAfee Family and Chorus

SCENE 8 Stage and Back Stage Office, Central Movie Theatre, Sweet Apple

SCENE 9 Stage, Central Movie Theatre, Sweet Apple
“One Last Kiss” ....................................................................................... Conrad and All

- Intermission -

- ACT II -

ENTR’ ACTE.................................................................................................. Teen Girls

SCENE 1 MacAfee Home Sweet Apple
“What Did I Ever See In Him” ................................................................. Rosie, Kim

SCENE 2 Downstairs at the MacAfee Home
“A Lot of Livin’ To Do” ............................................................................ Conrad, Kim

SCENE 3 Streets of Sweet Apple
“A Lot of Livin’ To Do” ............................................................................ Conrad, Kim, Teens
“Kids” ...................................................................................................... Harry, Doris

SCENE 4 Maude’s Roadside Retreat
“Baby Talk To Me” ................................................................................ Albert, Quartet

SCENE 5 Back Door of Maude’s Roadside Retreat
“Kids” ........................................................................................................ Mr. & Mrs MacAfee, Mrs. Merkle, Randolph, Parents

SCENE 6 The Ice House
“Ice House Livin’” ................................................................................... Teens
“An English Teacher” (Reprise) ............................................................... Rosie
“Spanish Rose” ......................................................................................... Rosie

SCENE 7 Sweet Apple Railroad Station
“We Love You Conrad” ......................................................................... Teen Chorus Girls
“Rosie” ...................................................................................................... Albert, Rosie

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Meet Our Cast

JEWEL ALLEN
Jewel is 13 and goes to VSAA. She has done MPAA for 3 years and would like to thank Noah, Becky Tod, and everyone else who helped with the show. Enjoy!

LYFE ALLEN
Hello, my name is Lyfe Allen. I am fourteen years old and I attend iTech Preparatory. This is my fourth play production I have been in. I have enjoyed working on this particular performance and I hope you will too.

ELIZABETH BABELON
This is my first show with MPAA. I am excited for you all to see it! This is a bit out of my usual repertoire as I am currently studying ballet at a school in Beaverton. I want to thank my fellow cast mates for their support and helping me figure out how to give my best.

RACHAEL BABELON
This is my 6th show with MPAA! I am so pleased you have come to see my cast mates and if I have enjoyed each show I have done for the knowledge I gain. I do hope you enjoy the show! Thank you to my family for supporting my dreams!

ELIZABETH BROWN
Elizabeth has always been interested in theatre. This is her second show with MPAA and she is super excited to be part of the kids chorus. She truly enjoyed her first theater experience as a pirate this summer in “Peter Pan.” She already can’t wait for the next show!

CHRISTIAN BROWNING
Hi, my name is Christian and “Bye Bye Birdie” is my 16th show with MPAA. I’m really passionate about performing and MPAA has become my second family. I thank Noah Scott for this opportunity as well as Miss Becky and Tod for patiently teaching me. I’d also like to send a shout out to Shelly, Carol and the costume ladies for their support and talent, this show wouldn’t be successful without you. Enjoy the show!

NATALIE CAPUTO
My name is Natalie and I am 11 years old. I’ve been with MPAA for 5 years. I have participated in “My Son Pinocchio,” “Beauty and The Beast,” “Wizard of Oz,” “Oliver,” and “Cats.” I have always had a passion for dancing, acting, and singing. I am honored to be part of the “Bye Bye Birdie” cast. Thank you Noah, Tod, Becky, and Carol for their hard work on this 5th anniversary show. Enjoy!

RYAN CAPUTO
Ryan is very excited to be in the MPAA production of “Bye Bye Birdie.” He has been performing since he was six. Now he is 13 and attends iTech Middle School. MPAA has been a great experience for me to get into musical theater. Enjoy the show.

ELLE CAUDLE
Elle is 10 and lives in Vancouver. Elle joined MPAA at age six, and has performed in over 13 productions, in a variety of roles. Her favorites were “Meet Me In St. Louis,” “Arnie,” “Les Miserables,” and “Oliver.” She’d like to thank her friends and family for their love and support.

KATIE CHAMBERLAIN
Katie is 16, and a junior at HeLa High School and a Running Start student at Clark College. She loves science, art, and theater. This is her third year and her fifth show with MPAA. She would like to thank her family, and the MPAA cast and crew, for all their hard work.

GABBY DAVIN
I’m currently a freshman at Skyview High School. This is my fourth year with MPAA and I’ve enjoyed every second of it. I would like to thank Noah for this absolutely ridiculous, but fun role. Also thank you to Todd, Shelly, and Becky for working so hard. Enjoy the show!

ASTRID DUBOIS
Astrid is currently juggling classes at three schools: iTech Preparatory, Clark, and WSU. In her free time she loves to sing, dance, and act! She has performed in numerous MPAA shows including “Little Women” (Beth), “Oliver” (milkmaid), “Legally Blonde” and “Anything Goes.” Astrid also loves traveling, drawing, and spending time outside. She wants to thank MPAA for being there as a wonderful creative outlet.

WILLIAM DUFF
William is a freshman at Skyview and this show marks his 8th production with MPAA. He has also previously performed with other local ballet and theatre companies... His notable roles include Fritz & the Nutcracker Prince (“The Nutcracker Ballet”), Scarecrow (“Wizard of Oz”), Rum Tum Tugger (“Cats”) and Pinocchio (“Shrek the Musical”). He thanks his instructors, directors, and family for all the training and encouragement as he strives toward his goal of being on Broadway.
Break a Leg!

THOMAS, I couldn’t have asked for a better co-star! Thank you for being my albermmrn! HANNAH ■ Good luck KIARA, You look beautiful.
Would you teach me to dance? CHRIS EVANS ■ GABRIELLE, Good luck on your 4th Anniversary with MPAA. You’re AWESOME! LOVE MOM & DAD
■ RYLEE, We are SO proud of you! Love You! MOM and DAD ■ ELIZABETH BABILON, Break a leg! YOUR FRIENDS AT FLCC
■ SAYGE, RYAN & LIZZY-15 words are not enough... I LOVE YOU GUYS! HANNAH ■ ANDREW, you are like the big brother I never had.
Thank you for being you! HANNAH ■ Break a leg, ELLIE! LOVE, MOM, DAD & AUREY ■ We love you, AUREY! Break a leg! MOM & DAD ■
Best of luck RYAN & NATALIE CAPUTO, Break a leg! I love you, MAX ■ APRIL, you’re a Star, let your light shine! LOVE, GRAMMA ■ ELIZABETH BROWN, we are so proud of all your hard work! Break a leg...DM & X ■ AUREY, We wish we could see you perform!
Best wishes from UT GRANDMA & GRANDPA ■ ALEXEI, have fun and make a good memory! Love YOU, MOM, DAD & HALEY ■ HANNIE GIRL, have fun up on that stage! Proud of you! LOVE, GRAMMA & POPS ■ We are sending HAILEY positive energy for a successful stage performance! LOVE, HER FAMILY ■ BUG, shine bright, little star! Love you! MOM & Dad ■ ... And your Rosie, I’m so glad you chose me...”
Thanks for everything, NOAH! HANNAH ■ KAITLYN, break a leg! Enjoy and have fun-we love you! MOM, DAD & NEGAN ■
Way to go KATIE! You are spectacular! CASCADIA STAFF AND STUDENTS ■ HANNAH LEE, wish we could be there to see you light up the stage! LOVE, EDMON ■ “We loooooove you NATALIE S...” we are your biggest fans! LOVE MOM & DAD ■
Congratulations to the WHOLE CAST! You guys worked your butts off. I’m so proud! Tod ■
■ Good luck AUREY! Can’t wait to see you on Broadway someday! BALEY, JOSEPH, GRANDON & ANGELA

MADDIE GEBHART
Maddie is in 7th grade at VSAA. She has been in “Alice in Wonderland, Jr” and in “Oliver!” as Artful Dodger. In her free time, she likes to read and hang out with her friends. She would like to thank her parents for their love and support in doing “Bye Bye Birdie.”

SEBASTIAN HAUSKINS
Sebastian is 12 and attending VSAA. This is his 8th show with MPAA. Away from the stage he is playing soccer for FCSC or enjoying the liveliness of his dynamic family! He says, “Remember my name, it will be in lights one day...thank you, thank you very much!”

APRIL JOE
Hi, my name is April and I’m 11. I’ve been with MPAA for 2 years and in 7 shows, I’m very excited to be in “Bye Bye Birdie.” I love the clothes, songs and dances in the show. All the kids at MPAA are talented and fun. Thank you Noah, Becky, Todd, and Carol for all your hard work putting this show together.

KELLY JUNG
Kelly has been with MPAA since she was nine. She is now 13 and has previously been in “Annie” as Annie, “Alice in Wonderland” as the Mad Hatter, and “Cats” as Munkustrap. She would like to thank Tod, Noah, Becky, and every single person who made this show possible. A special shout out to all her friends and family.

ALEXEI KENDALL-BRAY
Alexei is excited to be performing in his second show with MPAA. This past summer he started with MPAA in their summer production of “Peter Pan Jr.” as Mr. Darling and Tiger Lily’s Father.

KIARA KENNINGTON
Kiara is 14 and has been with MPAA for 5 years. She loves the friends she has met here. She dreams to one day play Elphaba and meet Captain America. She’d like to thank Noah, Tod and Ms. Becky for all their patience and help throughout rehearsals. Enjoy the show!

ELLIE KERBS
Ellie is a freshman at Vancouver School of Arts and Academics, where she plans to focus in dance and literary arts. “Bye Bye Birdie” is her eighth production with MPAA, and she would like to thank her family, all of the incredibly gifted directors and the beautiful cast, whom she loves to the moon and back.

JANE LAMBERT
Jane is 13 and attends iTech Preparatory. She is a passionate pianist, sports fan and is dedicated to her 3 dogs and 8 hens and her faith. Jane loves baking with her sisters, spending time with her Grammie and traveling. Past productions include “Let’s Call the Whole Thing Off,” “Cats,” “Charlie Brown,” “Secret Garden,” and “Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.”

MARY ROBIN LAMBERT
Mary Robin is 12 and homeschooled. She is an avid swimmer and pianist and is deeply committed to her faith and family. Passions include her animals, the outdoors and the arrival of her new baby brother. Past productions include “Cats,” “Charlie Brown,” “Secret Garden,” and “Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.”

MARIA MATTEO
Hi I’m Melissa and I play Marge in MPAA’s 5th Anniversary of “Bye Bye Birdie.” This is my fifth year here and I’ve done around 15 productions. Some parts I’m played are Dorothy in the “Wizard of Oz,” an orphan named Duffy in “Annie” and Bomboykuro in “Cats.” Thanks for watching!

MELISSA MATTEO
Hi! I’m Melissa and I’m 11 years old. I’ve been in MPAA for five years and have loved being a part of lots of shows! I would like to thank Noah, Becky and Tod for helping me come this far. I am so excited to be in my first teen show!

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RYAN MAYFIELD
This is Ryan’s second show with MPAA and he’s thankful for everyone who believes in him and his career in theatre. Ryan enjoys the arts and wants to pursue musical theatre. He loves friends and family and hopes you enjoy the show! Follow him on Twitter: @ryan_mayfield65.

HANNAH WYSTMOM
Hannah has been a part of MPAA for nearly five years now. She has been in over 10 shows, and loved every moment of it! She was most recently Serena in “Legally Blonde” and Brenda Strong in “Let’s Call the Whole Thing Off.” She would like to thank all those who have been a part of her journey. LUVZILL!!!

HAILEY PARKISON
Hailey is an 8th grader at VSAA. This is her 5th show with MPAA, most recently playing Mrs. Darling in “Peter Pan.” She would like to thank the people who helped with the design elements (especially Mrs. Babilon), the MPAA dance and vocal teachers, her dad for helping with the set and mom for driving her everywhere.

RYLEE PETERSEN
Rylee Petersen is 13 and goes to Tukes Valley Middle School. She is in 8th grade. Rylee has been in MPAA for about 4 1/2 years now. She one day hopes to join the US Air Force. She would like to thank Noah, Tod, Carol, and Becky for all the hours of hard work they put into making this show possible.

ANDREW PONGRATZ
This is Andrew’s fifth show with MPAA. You may have seen him in, “Oliver,” “Annie,” “Legally Blonde,” and “Little Women.” He would like to thank his family and friends for their support and for every cast member putting their heart and soul into this show!

AUBREY PORTER
Aubrey is so excited to be a part of “Bye Bye Birdie!” She has been in numerous MPAA shows and wants to thank Noah, Becky, and Tod for teaching her so much and for the many MANY hours they have put into this show. She is grateful for the opportunity to be a part of MPAA and for everyone who has made that possible.

DONIVAN QUINTERO
Donivan is a talented performer with five previous productions under his belt. Film, acting and directing are his passions and he conveys this through each performance. After high school he plans to attend college for directing so be sure to watch this rising star tonight in his role as Hugo!

LILY RAY
Lily Ray played Alaina the Mermaid in the recent Broadway Jr. production of “Peter Pan,” and has been working with Opus school of music for almost three years. This is her first MPAA performance. She hopes to do more, and is grateful to work with all the wonderful staff and crew.

HANNAH RENTON
Hannah is 14 and in 8th grade at iTech Preparatory. This is her second performance with MPAA and she loves it! After a summer of travel, she is happy to be back and performing withall her friends. She would like to thank her parents, Noah, Becky, and Tod for taking their time to help her in this performance. She hopes you all greatly enjoy the show!

MADDIE SANDERS
is 16 and is a student at Mountain View HS. She participates in chamber orchestra, modeling, and of course, musical theatre. She thanks Noah, Becky, and Tod for being her favorite instructor, and her parents and siblings for inspiring her to do great things.

ARIAH SANVE
No bio available.

THOMAS SILK
Thomas is no stranger to the stage. He’s been in MPAA’s “Meet Me in St. Louis,” “Anything Goes,” and “Legally Blonde.” He has also been in Skyview High School’s “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown” as Snoopy, “Thoroughly Modern Milly” as Jimmy, and “Little Shop of Horrors” as Mr. Mushnik.

JESSICA SORTORS
Prior to joining the MPAA, Jessica Sortors had dance lessons in ballet, tap, jazz, and lyrical. With MPAA, she has performed in “Alice in Wonderland,” “Oliver,” an Ugly Sweater Holiday Revue, “Cats,” “Peter Pan,” and now “Bye Bye Birdie.” She is having a great time with MPAA.

NATALIE STROMBERG
Natalie is 12 and attends Aik Middle School. In her spare time she enjoys playing piano or cello, and watching “Once Upon A Time.” She’s also a huge Josh Dallas and Ansel Elgort enthusiast! Past appearances include “Cats” (Mr. Mistoffelees), “Peter Pan” (Nana), and “Let’s Call the Whole Thing Off.” She thanks her family and cast for making this a memorable experience!

SAYGE SWORD
Sayge is 15 years old and attends Camas High School. This is her second show with MPAA and she dreams of being on Broadway one day.

RYAN MAYFIELD
is so excited to be in his second production with MPAA. He would like to wish all of his new friends in the cast a fantastic show! Break a leg everyone.

KAITLYN WILDER
Kaitlyn is a seventh grader attending VSAA along with many fellow cast members. She enjoys dancing and outdoor activities. Water sports and camping are among her favorites. She has been in several performance’s with MPAA and loves the experience she gains from each show. Thank you for your support!

MARDEE WILLMAN
Mardee is 13 years old and is excited to be in “Bye Bye Birdie!” She would like to thank her family, friends, and Natalie for supporting her and always being there for her. She would also like to thank Noah, Becky, and Tod for all the opportunities they give her. Thanks for coming!
Metropolitan Performing Arts Academy
1st Annual Golf Tournament

SAVE THE DATE

When: September 16, 2015
Where: The Cedars on Salmon Creek
Why: Fundraiser to benefit MPAA

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