

Biographies:

Enjoy the show.

Ryan Schultz '26 (Samuel Ratchett) MASC: Reporter, *Radium Girls*; Ensemble, *James and the Giant Peach*. Ryan Schultz, a sophomore at Mt. Ararat, was in District III and All-State choirs for the past two years and is a part of All-Eastern this year. He looks forward to being a part of a great show as well as future shows.

Kristen Thomas (Production Manager) MASC: 12 Seasons. Elsewhere: Ms. Thomas is an award winning actress and singer who has performed extensively throughout Maine and New Hampshire at venues such as Maine State Music Theatre, Waterville Opera House, Seacoast Repertory Theater, Good Theater, Merrill Auditorium, Hackmatack Playhouse, Community Little Theater, and the Franco American Heritage Center. Favorite Roles in include Mary Poppins in *Mary Poppins*, Princess Fiona in *Shrek*, Belle in *Disney's Beauty and the Beast*, Christine Daae in *Phantom*, Marguerite in *The Scarlet Pimpernel*, Guenevere in *Camelot*, Mother Superior in *Sister Act*, Emma in *Jekyll and Hyde*, Lily in *The Secret Garden*, Johanna in *Sweeney Todd*, and Fiona in *Brigadoon*.

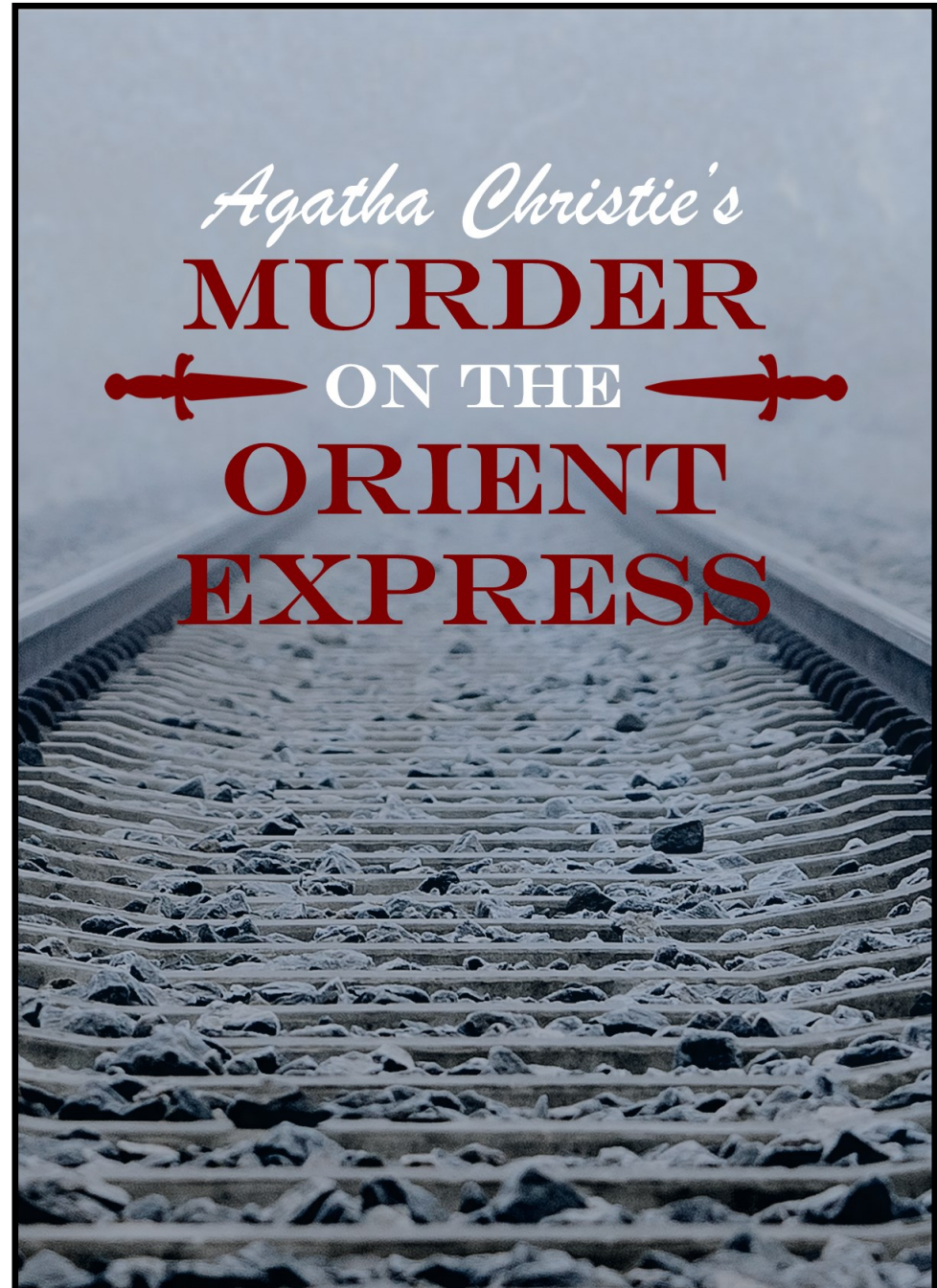
Rose Tuttle '24 (Mary Debenham) MASC: 10 productions including *Brigitta*, *The Sound of Music*; Genie, *Aladdin Jr.*; Narrator, *Puffs*; Schroeder, *You're A Good Man Charlie Brown*; Irene/Mrs. Roeder, *Radium Girls*; James, *James and the Giant Peach*. Elsewhere: 31 productions including Wendy, *Peter Pan*; Ollie Herdman, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*; Gothel, *Rapunzel*; The Queen of Hearts, *Alice in Wonderland* (The Theater Project); Willy Wonka (Midcoast Youth Theater); Young Anna, *Frozen Jr.*; *Alice in Wonderland* (MSMT); Emily Webb, *Our Town* (Meetinghouse Arts). Rose, a senior at MTA, has loved working with this cast and hopes you enjoy the show!

Isaac Wright '27 (Hector MacQueen) MASC: Mal Beineke, *The Addams Family Young@Part*; Escapologist, *Matilda Jr.*; Various Roles, Missing Stories. Elsewhere: Master of Laketown, *The Hobbit*; The Invisible Man, *The Invisible Man* (The Theater Project). *Ensemble/Winkie General*, *The Wizard of Oz* (Midcoast Youth Theater). Isaac is a freshman at Mt. Ararat and plays trumpet in the Concert, Marching, and Jazz bands. He hopes you enjoy the show!

Eleanor Young '25 (Princess Dragomiroff) MASC: Dr. Flinn and others, *Radium Girls*; Ladybug, *James and The Giant Peach*. She is currently a junior at Mt. Ararat and holds a passion for singing and creating bonds with other people in the theater program. This year she's involved in the All state, District III, and All Eastern choirs.

Mt. Ararat Stage Company

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Presents

Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express

Adapted for the stage by Ken Ludwig

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Murder on the Orient Express
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was originally staged by McCarter Theater Center, Princeton, NJ
Emily Mann, Artistic Director, Timothy J Shields, Managing Director.

The production subsequently transferred to Hartford Stage, Hartford, CT
Darko Tresnjak, Artistic Director, Michael Stotts, Managing Director

With

William Agius Elijah Blanchette

Claire Caton Ashby Hayward Bryce Holden

Katherine Kelly Lyra Legawiec Mate Mamulashvili

Kristina Roscoe Ryan Schultz Madelyn Sweet

Rose Tuttle Isaac Wright Eleanor Young

Production Manager: Kristen J. Thomas

Technical Director: Jim Alexander

Costume Designer: Travis Grant

Stage Manager: Ethan Hanna

Directed by Adam P. Blais

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theater and is looking forward to participating in more shows in the future.

Lyra Legawiec '26 (Greta Ohlsson) MASC: Lorey Bird, *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*; Various Roles, *Missing Stories*; Trunchbull, *Matilda Jr.*; Grace Fryer, *Radium Girls*; and Centipede, *James and The Giant Peach*. Elsewhere: Fobliar, *Aquitania* (Ziggurat Theatre Ensemble); Lilybloom, *As You Like It* (Camden Shakespeare Festival); Rachel 1, *Death Wings* (Bess Welden); as well as many other shows. Outside of performing, Lyra enjoys creative fashion/makeup, writing, singing and drawing. She also plays the bassoon. Please enjoy *Murder On The Orient Express!*

Ken Ludwig (Playwright) has had six productions on Broadway and eight in London's West End. His 34 plays and musicals are staged around the world and throughout the United States every night of the year. His first play, *Lend Me a Tenor*, won two Tony Awards and was called "one of the classic comedies of the 20th century" by The Washington Post. *Crazy For You* is currently running on London's West End. It was previously on Broadway for five years, on the West End for three, and won the Tony and Olivier Awards for Best Musical. His other plays include *Moon Over Buffalo*, *Leading Ladies*, *Baskerville*, *Sherwood*, *Twentieth Century*, *Dear Jack*, *Dear Louise*, *A Fox on the Fairway*, *A Comedy of Tenors*, *The Game's Afoot* and *Shakespeare in Hollywood*. For more information visit www.kenludwig.com.

Mate Mamulashvili '24 (Michel) MASC Debut! Elsewhere: Sandro, *My Tbilisi* (Rustaveli National Theatre). Mate is an exchange student from Georgia. He is an aspiring actor and hopes to study abroad in the future. Mate is enjoying his time here in the USA!

Kristina Roscoe '24 (Countess Andrenyi) MASC: Ensemble, *Peter Pan Jr.*; Ensemble, *Aladdin Jr.*; Scab, *Newsies*; Reporter, *Clue On Stage*; Sally Perks, *Puffs*; Marcie, *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*; Sob Sister, *Radium Girls*; Mrs. Trotter, *James and the Giant Peach*. Kristina is grateful for all her wonderful years with MASC and hopes for many more years in the performing arts.

Madelyn Sweet '27 (Mother) MASC: Morticia, *The Addams Family Young@Part*; Miss Honey, *Matilda Jr.* Elsewhere: Dorothy, *The Wizard of Oz*; Ghost of Christmas Past, *A Christmas Carol* (Midcoast Youth Theatre), Playing Card, *Alice in Wonderland*; Oaken Family, *Frozen Jr.* (Maine State Music Theatre), Little Girl, *Aquitania* (Camden Shakespeare Festival and multiple shows with the Theater Project and Studio 48. Madelyn, a freshman at Mt Ararat, enjoys acting both on stage and in front of a camera. When she is not hanging with friends, she loves playing on the Varsity field hockey team, singing, writing and playing the French Horn. She has enjoyed working with this amazing cast and crew and is very excited to perform for you today.

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Claire Caton '24 (Helen Hubbard) MASC: Ladahlord, *James and the Giant Peach*; Katherine Schaub, *Radium Girls*; Brooklyn Newsie, *Newsies*; Brave Girl, *Peter Pan Jr.* Elsewhere: Millie, *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (MYT); Lucy, *Narnia* (MYT); Young Nala, *Lion King* (MYT). Claire is a Senior and has participated in District III and All-State Choirs throughout her time at MTA. Along with her involvement in various school clubs and activities, Claire is singing alongside the Una Voce Chamber Choir. She is very excited to participate in her last play at MASC.

Travis Grant (Costume Designer) MASC: 11 Seasons. Elsewhere: *Cinderella* (The Wick Theatre); *It's A Wonderful Life*, *The Addams Family*, *Escape to Margaritaville* (Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre); *Cinderella* (North Shore Music Theatre); *Cinderella*, *Million Dollar Quartet*, *Annie Get Your Gun* (Fulton Theatre); *The Rocky Horror Show*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Singin' in the Rain*, *Million Dollar Quartet*, *Grease*, *Tommy*, *Sleeping Beauty*, *A Grand Night for Singing*, *Shrek*, *Fame*, *Godspell* (Maine State Music Theatre); *Tuck Everlasting*, *Hello Dolly!*, *Annie*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Mary Poppins*, *Rocky Horror Show*, *Into the Woods*, *The Addams Family*, *Shrek*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Spamalot* (Waterville Opera House); *Equivocation* (New England Premiere), [title of show], , *Topdog/Underdog*, *Gross Indecency* (Dramatic Repertory Company); *The Nutcracker* (Bossov Ballet); *Inook and the Sun* (U.S. Premiere), *Last Easter* (New England Premiere, 2008 KCACTF/Barbizon Region I National Design Award); Winner of four regional Broadway World Awards including Best Costume Design of the Decade.

Ethan Hanna '24 (Stage Manager) MASC: Michael, *Peter Pan Jr.*; Babkak, *Aladdin Jr.*; Snyder, *Newsies*; Light Board Operator, *Radium Girls*; Stage Manager, *James and the Giant Peach*. Ethan, a Senior at Mt. Ararat, is looking forward to watching the stage come alive on show night.

Ashby Hayward '26 (Monsieur Bouc) MASC: Arthur Roeder, *Radium Girls*; Grasshopper, *James and the Giant Peach*. Elsewhere: Flute/Moth, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Camden Shakespeare Festival). Ashby, a sophomore at Mt. Ararat, also participated in District III and Allstate honors choirs this year as well as being accepted to the All-Eastern honor choir. He has a passion for the musical arts and can't wait to show you MASC's hard work.

Bryce Holden '26 (Colonel Arbuthnot) MASC: Tom/Barry, *Radium Girls*; Crew, *James and the Giant Peach*. Bryce is very excited to be a part of this show. He always thought he was good at Scottish accents, until he tried to pronounce "murder." Hopefully he can master it before opening.

Katherine Kelly '26 (Daisy Armstrong) MASC: Big Kid/Parent, *Matilda Jr.*; Harriet Roeder/Dr. Drinker, *Radium Girls*; Ensemble, *James and the Giant Peach*. Katherine is a sophomore at Mt. Ararat. She loves being in

Cast:

Hercule Poirot.....	William Agius
Monsieur Bouc	Ashby Hayward
Mary Debenham.....	Rose Tuttle
Hector MacQueen.....	Isaac Wright
Michel, the Conductor.....	Mate Mamulashvili
Marcel, the Head Waiter	Elijah Blanchette
Princess Dragomiroff	Eleanor Young
Greta Ohlsson.....	Lyra Legawiec
Countess Andrenyi	Kristina Roscoe
Helen Hubbard	Claire Caton
Colonel Arbuthnot.....	Bryce Holden
Samuel Ratchett.....	Ryan Schultz
Daisy Armstrong	Katherine Kelly
Mother	Madelyn Sweet
Father.....	Elijah Blanchette
Swings	Elijah Blanchette
.....	Katherine Kelly
.....	Madelyn Sweet

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Production Team:

Director	Adam P. Blais
Assistant Director.....	Aaron Louque
Production Manager.....	Kristen Thomas
Technical Director	Jim Alexander
Scenic/Property Designer.....	Adam P. Blais
Costume Designer.....	Travis M. Grant
Lighting Designer	Jim Alexander
Stage Manager	Ethan Hanna
Light Board Operator	Camden Dumont
Sound Board Operator	Haiden Allen
.....	Morgandy Crawford
Stage Crew	Jocelyn Dreher
.....	Julien Gagnon
.....	Elisabeth Kelly
.....	Alexis Kimball
.....	Eben LaRose
.....	Lily Ouellette
.....	Cassidy Ruggles
.....	Carly Satterfield
.....	Ashlynn Tundel
Wardrobe Supervisors.....	Jasper Dauphinais
.....	Colleen Keyes
Stitcher	Tessa Kingsley
Set Painting.....	Cast Crew
.....	Kaylee Morneau
.....	Abby Ortiz Toledo

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William Agius '27 (Hercule Poirot) MASC: Gomez Addams, *The Addams Family Young@Part*; Mr. Wormwood, *Matilda Jr.*; Various Roles, *Missing Stories*. Elsewhere: *Beast, Beauty and the Beast Jr.*; Tinman, *The Wizard of Oz* (Midcoast Youth Theater); and multiple shows with The Missoula Children's Theater and The Theater Project. William, a freshman at Mt. Ararat, enjoys acting, reading, and baking. He is extremely grateful to the cast and crew and cannot wait for you to see the show!

Jim Alexander (Technical Director) MASC: 10 Seasons. Elsewhere: Production Manager: The Washington Revels; Shakespeare festival St. Louis: Master Electrician: Shakespeare Theatre Company, Washington Ballet, and Portland Stage Company; Lighting Supervisor and Production Manager: The Flying Karamozovs, Netherlands Dance Theatre, Suzhuo, Kunju Opera of Jaingsu Province, The Central Ballet of China, and Ballet Nacional de Cuba. Jim lives in Harpswell with his spouse Dawn and their two sons, Max and Ewan, and currently works as the Assistant Technical director at Bowdoin College.

Adam P. Blais (Director) MASC: 11 Seasons. *James and the Giant Peach, Radium Girls, Puffs, You're A Good Man Charlie Brown, Clue On Stage, Newsies, 1984, The Matchmaker, Chicago, 12 Angry Jurors, Lord of the Flies, Almost, Maine, The Diary of Anne Frank, Xanadu, The Sound of Music and Little Women*. Elsewhere: *Cox And Box, The Story of My Life, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Daddy Long Legs, Murder for Two, The Pirates of Penzance, and My Father's Dragon* (Theater At Monmouth), *Polkadots: The Cool Kids Musical, Dancing Lessons, Murder for Two, and The Midvale High School 50th Reunion* (The Public Theater), *King Lear and The Tempest* starring Academy Award Winner Olympia Dukakis (Shakespeare & Company), *The Sound of Music, Tuck Everlasting, Newsies, Ripcord, Hello, Dolly!, It's Only A Play, A Christmas Story the musical, and Young Frankenstein* (Waterville Opera House), *Sweeney Todd and Speech and Debate* (University of Maine) and many others. Adam holds a BA in Theatre and a MA in Leadership and Organizational Studies and currently serves as the Production Manager and Artistic Associate for The Public Theatre. Proud member of Actor's Equity.

Elijah Blanchette '24 (Head Waiter) MASC: Mr Trotter/Ensemble, *James and the Giant Peach*; Dr. Knef/Dr. William Bailey/Love Sick Cowboy, *Radium Girls*; Pigpen, *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*; J. Finch and others, *Puffs*; Pirate, *Peter Pan Jr.*; Royal Guard, *Aladdin Jr.* Elsewhere: *Elephant/Zebra, The Jungle Book Jr*; Sultan, *Aladdin Jr*; James's Father, *James and the Giant Peach* (Midcoast Youth Theatre). Ensemble, *The Lion King Jr.*; Father Swan, *Honk Jr.* (Woodside Elementary). Elijah is a Senior at Mt. Ararat High School.