

## COBBI ESTONE THEATRE

Friday, Nov. 14th @ 6:30pm Saturday, Nov. 15th @ 2pm / Sunday, Nov. 16th @ 2pm Friday, Nov. 21st @ 6:30pm Saturday, Nov. 22nd @ 2pm /Sunday, Nov. 23rd @ 2pm

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# **Shrek The Musical**

# PRODUCTION STAFF

Director	Cindy Edler
Assistant Director	Brent Siwak
Choreographer/Stage Manager	Vanessa Goodwin
Stage Crew	Dean McLaughlin & Jess Kiptoo
Costumes	Vanessa Goodwin & Katie Gulvin
Lights and Sound Technician	Aaron Drooby & Cindy Edler
Light Design & Program	Cindy Edler & Vanessa Goodwin
Sets & Props	
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# WELCOME TO COBBLESTONE THEATRE

The Cobblestone Arts Center is a non-profit 501c3 and was founded in 1983 to bring the visual and performing arts to the rural community. All ages and abilities have always been welcome. Cobblestone wheelchair dance company, Wheels In Motion, began in 1986 and gave inspiration to form an all day arts program for adults with disabilities. Through music, dance, visual arts, and theatre these cobblestone students gain a great sense of value and accomplishment connecting with each other and the community. We are proud to bring all the arts to the community with community classes for all ages and abilities, and a new theatre space for the whole area to enjoy live performances.

# COBBLESTONE FOUNDATION

Our foundation aims to empower underserved communities, including persons with disabilities, veterans, and at-risk teens by raising funds to support impactful projects at the Cobblestone Arts Center, fostering a reputation for philanthropy, and aligning with the center's mission, operating within the parameters of sections 501(c)(3)

## Warning: This show utilizes moving lights and flashing lights.

## LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Shrek: the Musical takes the classic fairy tale formula

and turns it upside down. The heroes aren't handsome princes or perfect princesses; they're misfits, dreamers, and outcasts who discover that the things people often consider "different" only make them stronger and remind us of the power that standing out can give. Bringing this show to life has been an incredible journey. The humor is big, the characters are bold, and the heart is enormous. Every member of our cast and crew has poured their creativity and joy into bringing this swampy, silly, and surprisingly moving story to life. As you watch tonight, we invite you to laugh loudly, cheer for the unexpected heroes, and maybe find a bit of yourself in the story because happily ever after isn't about your story being perfect, it's about acceptance, friendship, and finding the courage to let your freak flag fly. Welcome to the swamp and enjoy the adventure!



Brent Siwak (Assistant Director) has been involved with many productions here at Cobblestone. Having previously made his assistant directing debut on The Little Mermaid, Brent was eager to jump right back into the position for Shrek. While also taking on a couple minor parts. While not working on Shrek, Brent is a film teacher and bus driver for Cobblestone and works on building his production company, BTS Productions, in his free time. He enjoys keeping himself busy, doing what the loves. And he hopes you enjoy the show everyone has helped craft!

Vanessa Goodwin (Choreographer) has been teaching dance and theatre for over 25 years, inspiring performers of all ages through creativity, movement, and storytelling. She is the Director and owner of Best Foot Forward, her own children's dance and theatre company, where she has nurtured countless young artists and fostered a love for the performing arts in her community. In addition to her work at Best Foot Forward, Vanessa currently serves as the Assistant Director at Cobblestone Arts Center. where she teaches adults with disabilities in the arts. She is thrilled to bring her passion and experience to the choreography for Shrek

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## **CAST**

Shrek	Justin Mapes
Fiona Abigail A	
Carissa H	enkel (Nov. 21st 22nd,23rd)
Donkey	Spencer Hunter
Lord Farquaad / King Harold	Ryan Henkel
Dragon / Captain of the Guard	
Gingy / 3 Blind Mice	Rebecca Nigro
Pinocchio / 3 Blind Mice /Knight 2	Taylor Johnson
Mama Ogre / Fairy Godmother / Bluebird	Dana McLaughlin
Papa Ogre / Papa Bear / Knight 1	Jordan Smith
Young Shrek / Dwarf	Samuel Swartout
Young Fiona / Elf	Aurora Wantuch
Teen Fiona / Pig #2	
Queen Lillian / Mama Bear / Guard	Cheryl Degenhardt
Pig #1 / Pied Piper	Abi Jepson
Pig #3	Emma Henkel
Sugar Plum Fairy / Bishop	Zoe Hernandez
Thelonious / Duloc Greeter	Brent Siwak
Wicked Witch / Guard	Gaetan Wyman
Wolf / Knight 3	Autumn Brown
Peter Pan	
Ugly Duckling / Knight 4	Allison Swartout
Baby Bear	Eleanor Mapes

#### Dancers

Emma Henkel, Abi Jepson, Allison Swartout, Zoe Hernandez, Autumn Brown, Jordan Smith, Dana McLaughlin

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## **MUSICAL NUMBERS**

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Big Bright Beautiful World	Shrek, Fiona, Ensemble
Story Of My Life	Pinocchio, Fairytale Creatures
The Goodbye Song	Shrek, Fairytale Creatures
Don't Let Me Go	
What's Up, Duloc?	Lord Farquaad, Duloc Dancers
I Know It's Today	Young Fiona, Teen Fiona, Fiona
Travel Song	Donkey, Shrek
Forever	
This Is How A Dream Comes True	Fiona, Shrek, Donkey, Dragon
Who I'd Be	•
INTERMISSION	
Morning Person	
I Think I Got You Beat	
Ballad of Farquaad	
Make A Move	•
When Words Fail	
Morning Person (Reprise)	
Build A Wall	
Freak Flag	
Big Bright Beautiful World (Reprise)	
Finale	
I'm A BelieverShrek, I	Fiona, Donkey, Dragon, Ensemble
Thank you for coming and	
we hope you had a magical time with us today!	







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## Meet The Cast



Justin Mapes (Shrek) is delighted to stomp onto the Cobblestone stage as everyone's favorite ogre! His previous stage credits include Prince Eric in The Little Mermaid, the suave Gomez in The Addams Family Musical, the enchanting Lumiere in Beauty and the Beast, and the slick Danny Zuko in Grease. Justin's greatest roles, however, are offstage—as a proud dad to three daughters and a devoted husband to his very own Dragon (sharing the stage today!). This production is extra special, as his oldest daughter joins the adventures for her

Cobblestone Community Players debut as Baby Bear. When he's not on stage or coaching his daughter's soccer team, Justin is running marathons—despite being one ACL tear away from disaster. He dedicates every performance to his family, who remind him that "beautiful ain't always pretty" and that life's unexpected turns can lead to something so much more.



Abigail Adams (Fiona – Nov 14, 15, 16/Blind Mouse) is thrilled to be returning to the swamp as Fiona—this time with Cobblestone Players! She previously played the role in Geneva Theatre Guild's production at the historic Smith Opera House and is delighted to bring the feisty princess to life once again. No stranger to the stage, a few of Abby's past favorite roles include Inga in Young Frankenstein, Roxie Hart in Chicago, Ulla in The Producers, Vicki/Brooke in Noises Off,

and Fastrada in Pippin. She's grateful to return to one of her favorite characters and share the joy of Shrek with a new audience.



Carissa Henkel (Fiona – Nov. 21, 22, 23/Tinkerbell) has been involved in the arts her entire life. She found her love of musical theatre right here at Cobblestone in 1997. She was there to debut our adult theatre program as Mary Poppins in early 2017 and helped re-establish the Players in 2023. Her highlights include Ariel in The Little Mermaid, Belle in Beauty and the Beast, Wednesday in The Addams Family, Grace in Annie, Charity in The Greatest Showman in Concert and Elsa in the Princess Showcase. Carissa is a theatre

teacher for our dayhab program here at Cobblestone during the day and in the evenings works as the music director Best Foot Forward and directs our Boundless Abilities theatre program alongside Lorene Benson. She and her husband Ryan have a busy home life with their 3 kids, two of which they share the stage with today. "Fiona has been in my top dream roles for over a decade, I cannot wait to get to share my version of her with all of you."

Spencer Hunter (Donkey) lives in Naples, and spends his days teaching wildlife and bringing smiles to the students here at The Cobblestone Arts Center. Spencer began showing his love of music and performing at a very young age, influenced by various family members. Growing up, Spencer was in All-County Chorus for 5 years with both Marcus Whitman and Naples school where he also participated in band, and was handpicked to perform with the Rochester Philharmonic

Orchestra for 4 consecutive years. Spencer also has been seen in various different plays and musicals and a couple of his favorite roles include: Centipede, in James and the Giant Peach, Cogsworth, in Beauty and the Beast, Chef Louis, in the Little Mermaid and King Magnifico, in the Princess Showcase. Spencer is happy to be back on the stage performing. This is Spencer's 4th show with The Cobblestone Community Players, and thrilled to be performing with his older sister on stage. Spencer would like to thank his family, friends, Zoe, and the other cast members for their love and support.



Ryan Henkel (Lord Farquaad) is a veteran with the Players after joining in 2017 when he played Gaston in Beauty and the Beast. You've seen him in most productions since then. Some of his favorite roles have been Lurch in The Addams Family, Warbucks in Annie and his most recent role of King Triton in The Little Mermaid, and PT Barnum in our Greatest Showman performance. He drives bus here at Cobblestone during the day and plays chauffeur for their 3 busy

kids in the evening. He looks forward, once again, to performing on stage with his wife, Carissa and both of their daughters.



Alli Mapes (Dragon) is thrilled to unleash her inner fire as Dragon! Past roles include the tentacled Ursula (The Little Mermaid), the elegantly eerie Morticia (The Addams Family), and the ever-resilient Baker's Wife (Into the Woods). By day, Alli navigates the world of school administration, wrangles her daughters (three, to be exact—including her eldest, making her Cobblestone Community Players debut as Baby Bear), a husband-turned-ogre (Shrek himself!), a dog,

a bunny, and a family of squirrels who refuse to pay rent in the attic. She dedicates this performance to her family—both the two-legged and four-legged (and possibly bushytailed) members of the Mapes menagerie. In her "spare" time, Alli runs a sewing business, spins dreams with her cotton candy enterprise, and keeps up with her whirlwind family life. With a life that's as dynamic as her stage presence, Alli Mapes proves that the real drama happens offstage, one stitch, swirl, and squirrel chase at a time.



Rebecca Nigro (Gingy) is excited to join the cast of Shrek as Gingy. This is her first show with the Cobblestone Players. She would like to thank her friends and family for coming to show their support. Additionally she would like to thank her friends at victor running club for listening to her practice songs and lines while on long runs!



Taylor Johnson (Pinocchio) is thrilled to be performing in her debut at Cobblestone as Pinocchio in this production! She has a rich background in theatre and music, both on stage and as a leader in the arts. One of her favorite past roles includes Addapearle, in The Wiz. When not on stage, Taylor loves teaching music at School #33, directing ROC City Players, reading, and spending time with her pups! She would like to thank her husband, family, friends, cast mates, and director for their constant encouragement and support.

Dana McLaughlin (Mama Ogre/Fairy Godmother) is thrilled to be here for her 6th production with The CCP! Audiences may remember her as Snow White in Princess Showcase, a dancer in The Greatest Showman, or as Alana and Jetsam in The Little Mermaid. With more than 20 shows under her belt, some of Dana's favorite past roles include Madame Thénardier in Les Misérables and Lenny McGrath in Crimes of the Heart. This time around, she is ogre-joyed

They keep her inspired, laughing, and always ready to raise her freak flag high. Getting to perform again with her brother Spencer is a joy, and having her brother Dean and her mom, Amy, working behind the scenes has made this show feel like a full-family adventure. Their help has meant more than words can say. Endless love also goes to her boyfriend Colton and their cat Smokey, who put up with endless lines, songs, and rehearsal chaos. Dana would like to thank her family and friends for cheering her on through every show, her fellow cast and crew for making the swamp feel like home, and she hopes you enjoy the show! Remember: in Shrek's world and ours, the magic happens when we stay true to who we are.



Jordan Smith (Papa Ogre/Papa Bear/ Knight 1), this is her 1st show with the Cobbletsone Community players.



Samuel Swartout (Little Shrek/Dwarf) has been in The Little Mermaid (a turtle), The Wizard of Oz (Doorman to Emerald City) and Peter Pan (Mr. Darling) each at the Canandaigua Elementary School. He continues to help with set construction and decoration for Gananda's Middle School and High School Drama Clubs. Shrek is Sam's first time performing with Cobblestone Arts.



Aurora Wantuch (Young Fiona/Elf) is ten years old and attends 5th grade at Canandaigua Elementary. Aurora has been attending the Best Foot Forward's theatre program at Cobblestone since the age of six. She has also performed on stage with the Geva Theatre in A Christmas Carol, Cobblestone Community Players, OFC Creations and Space Between Theater. Her notable roles include: Nemo, Cinderella, Ariel, Olaf, Young Anna and Older Anna in Frozen,

Genie in Aladdin, Annie, Molly and Miss Hannigan in Annie, Young Simba, and Brigitta in The Sound of Music. She has also extended her acting to the screen, having completed two commercials and landing a role in an upcoming SAG horror film! Her dream when she grows up is to either perform on Broadway or teach theatre to the next generation and be just like Miss Carissa!



Lily Beatrice Jackle (Teen Fiona/Little Pig) is thrilled to join the cast of Shrek at Cobblestone! Her professional credits include the first national tour of Waitress (Lulu) as well as A Christmas Carol at Geva in 2019 (Tiny Tim) and 2023 (Want/Girl Cratchit/Turkey Girl/Schoolboy/Belle's Daughter). Additional favorite credits include Beauty and the Beast Jr (Belle), Annie Jr (Annie), Frozen Jr (Young Elsa), The Little Mermaid Jr (Sebastian), and The Lion King Jr (Pumba). Lily also loves to sing the national anthem and has performed it for

two Veterans Day ceremonies and a Rotary International meeting. Her professional training includes Jay Simmons (acting), Roc Dance & Tripp Hanson (dance), Susanna Adams (voice), and a musical theatre summer intensive at Paper Mill Playhouse. Lily is grateful to these spectacular teachers for their guidance and to Cobblestone Arts Center for this opportunity!



Cheryl Deganhardt (Mama Bear) Growing up in Brockport, Cheryl participated in several middle and high school musicals; both on stage and in the pit orchestra. After a 40 year hiatus spent living in Ohio and Maryland, while raising a family and pursuing a career as a general dentist, Cheryl returned to the stage in Maryland for three years with the Glyndon Area Players starting in 2021. Her favorite role with them was as a Pick-a-Little Lady in The Music Man. She and her husband, Sheldon,(originally from Mendon) recently moved back

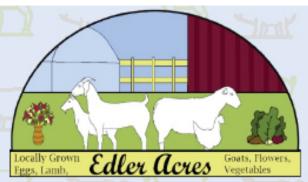
to New York and settled in Fairport. They are enjoying their retirement there, in the Adirondacks, camping, and traveling wherever they choose. Cheryl is excited to join this energetic cast for her first production with the Cobblestone Community Players. She is



Abi Jepson (Little Pig/Pied Piper) has been performing with Best Foot Forward since 2018, with her first show being Annie. She had the pleasure of being Mirabel in Encanto Revue, the Tin Man & the Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz, Sebastian in The Little Mermaid, and most recently Rooster in Annie. When Abi is not onstage doing theater, you will most likely find her in the dance studio. A huge thank you to her mom and dad for encouraging her to practice and

for driving her to and from rehearsals. Another great big thanks to Emma and Kenzie for sticking with me no matter what.

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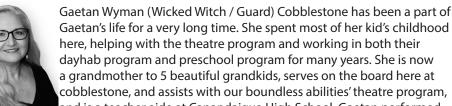


Emma Henkel (Little Pig) is so excited to be in another Players production alongside her parents, grandma, sister and best friends! Emma has been dancing with Vanessa here at Cobblestone since she was 3 years old and began children's theater at 4. She just played Mr. Warbucks in Annie and was recently seen as the Stepmother in Cinderella, Young Tiana in the Princess Showcase and Fairy Godmother in a more recent Cinderella. Emma is in 6th grade

at Victor Intermediate School where she is in Chorus, Select Choir and was just selected for another year with the All County Choir. She wants to thank her best friend Abi for always being there for her and encouraging her!



Zoe Hernandez (Sugar Plum Fairy) is excited to be part of the swampy fun in Shrek The Musical! This is her first show in a long time and wants to thank Spencer and her friends for encouraging her to get out of her comfort zone and audition for the show! Enjoy the show.



Gaetan's life for a very long time. She spent most of her kid's childhood here, helping with the theatre program and working in both their dayhab program and preschool program for many years. She is now a grandmother to 5 beautiful grandkids, serves on the board here at cobblestone, and assists with our boundless abilities' theatre program, and is a teacher aide at Canandaigua High School. Gaetan performed

in high school, has been singing her whole life and joined the Players in 2017. Today she is on stage once again with her daughter, her granddaughters, and son-in-law. It's a family affair and a dream come true for her.



Autumn Brown (Big Bad Wolf) My, what a wonderful pack of people you are! Thank you to the Cobblestone Players for welcoming this Granny Wolf into the Swamp for my very first show with you! it's been an absolute fairy-tale of fun! I've had an incredible time sharing the stage with such talented, kind-hearted people. And to my boyfriend, Evan — thank you for always supporting me, believing in me, and cheering me on every step of the way.



Eliana Henkel (Peter Pan) has been on and off stage since she started dance here at Cobblestone at age 2 and theater around age 4. This is her 3rd time getting to be in a Players production as she was Helen Barnum In the Greatest Showman in Concert and Little Elsa in the Princess Showcase. Her favorite role so far has been Molly in Annie with Best Foot Forward and recently played Kai in Finding Nemo Jr. Ellie is in 4th grade at Victor Intermediate School where she

is in chorus and recently joined the band playing Trumpet! She joins the stage today with her mom, dad, grandma and sister. She wants to thank her best friend Aurora for being such a wonderful friend and cast mate!



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Allison Swartout (Ugly Duckling) first time on stage was at the age of 2 in Titanic with the Canandaigua Academy Players. Since then she has been in The Little Mermaid (Ursula), Beauty and the Beast (Narrator 2) and Mary Poppins (George Banks). Allison continues to help with set and prop construction and decoration for Gananda's Middle School and High School Drama Clubs. Allison currently goes to school at Canandaigua Middle School. Allison is excited to perform in Shrek, her first performance with Cobblestone Arts.



Eleanor Mapes (Baby Bear) is paw-sitively excited to make her Cobblestone Community Players debut! Sharing the stage with her mom (Dragon) and dad (Shrek) is a fairy tale come true. Eleanor is the oldest of three sisters—meaning she's usually the trailblazer (even when she's blazing the wrong trail). When she's not on stage, you'll find her scoring goals on the soccer field or creating colorful masterpieces with her art and music. She hopes you enjoy the show "beary" much!



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