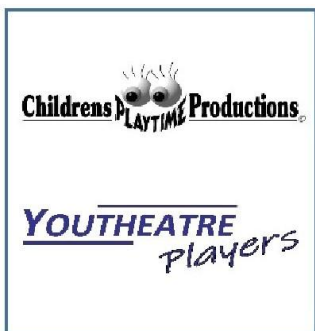




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MUSICAL NUMBERS

Overture

Better Together (Prelude 1)	Ben
Rotten to the Core (Part 1)	Mal, Evie, Jay, Carlos, Ensemble Combo
Rotten to the Core (Part 2)	Mal, Evie, Jay, Carlos, Ensemble Combo
Evil Like Me	Maleficent, Mal
Be Our Guest (Part 1)	Auradon Choir
Be Our Guest (Part 2)	Chad, Auradon Choir, Auradon Ensemble
Good is the New Bad (Preprise)	Fairy Godmother
Good is the New Bad (Part 1)	Mal, Evie, Jay, Carlos, Auradonians
Good is the New Bad (Part 2)	
	Doug, Audrey, Chad, Evils, Auradonians
Evil Like Me (Reprise 1)	Mal
Rotten to the Core (Parents' Revenge)	
	Maleficent, Jafar, Grimhilde, Cruella
Goal	Jay, Carlos, Mal, Evie, Ben, Chad, Coach, Auradonians
Good is the New Bad (Reprise 1)	Auradonians
Ways to Be Wicked (Preprise)	Mal, Evie, Jay, Carlos
Did I Mention (Prelude)	Ben
Did I Mention	Ben, Jay, Carlos, Evie, Auradonians
Better Together (Prelude 2)	Ben, Mal
Space Between	Mal, Evie
Chillin' Like a Villain (Part 1)	
	Evie, Jay, Carlos, Auradonian Ensemble
Chillin' Like a Villain (Part 2)	
	Evie, Jay, Carlos, Ben, Isle of the Lost Ensemble
Good Is the New Bad (Reprise 2)	Auradonians
If Only	Mal, Ben

MUSICAL NUMBERS (CONT.)

Ways to Be Wicked -----
-----Audrey, Chad, Evils, Ben, Auradonians, Evil Parents
Go the Distance (Chorale) ----- Auradon Choir
Evil Like Me (Reprise 2)----- Maleficent
Better Together ----- Company
Break This Down ----- Company
Bows

Songs by

Johan Alkenas, Adam Anders, Aristeidis Archontis, Antonina Armato, Howard Ashman, Peer Astrom, Stephen Mark Conley, Doug Davis, Charity Daw, Andrew C. Dodd, Josh Edmondson, Pipó Fernandez, Nikki Hassman, Samuel Hollander, Ben Hostetler, Tim James, Hanna Jones, Jack Kugell, Craig Lashley, Andrew Lippa, Jeannie Lurie, Alan Menken, Grant Phillip Michaels, Anthony Mirabella, Shayna Mordue, Chen Neeman, Susan Paroff, Shelly M. Peiken, Joacim Persson, James K. Petrie, Adam Schlesinger, Adam Schmalholz, Tyler Shamy, Jodie Shihadeh, Nikki Ann Sorrentino, Thomas Armato Sturges, Ali Dee Theodore, Matthew Wong, David Zippel

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CAST LISTS

Ben ----- Lola Singleton
Mal ----- Shaela Jerominski
Evie ----- Izie Gomez
Jay ----- Avery Mims
Carlos ----- Shiloh Jerominski
Maleficent ----- Amelie Nelson
Grimhilde ----- Nailyn Escandon
Jafar ----- Jaxon Barrett
Cruella De Ville ----- Vivian Shaver
King Adam (Beast) ----- Olivia Kruk
Belle ----- London Singleton
Fairy Godmother ----- RiRi (Amri) Denis
Jane ----- Shia Jerominski
Chad ----- Isaac McCauley
Audrey ----- Brooke Drinville
Doug ----- Tymek Sanchez
Maurice ----- Mikaeala Gonzalez
Royal Page ----- Emma Denault
Snow White (Reporter) ----- Coraline Roos
Royal Guards ----- Gage Fell, Cristian Delgadillo
----- Henry, Guerrero, Finley McWey, Daniel Nguyen
Coach ----- Symphony Solomon
Jocks ----- Chloe Blanco, Lily Derr, Teagan Fraser, Sophia Grandmain
----- Shiloh Jerominski, Avery Mims, Symphony Solomon
Band Drum Major ----- Emma Denault
Band ----- Cristian Delgadillo, Gage Fell, Henry Guerrero
----- Finley McWey, Daniel Nguyen, Tymek Sanchez
----- Maddie Smith, Maverick Solomon, Nathan Weir
Cheer Captain ----- Kali Dimmett
Cheerleaders ----- Mia Bracamonte, Abigail Bristow
----- Audrina Brown, Teyha Castro, Brooke Drinville
----- Uriyah German, Amelie Gonzalez, Lilian McWey
----- London Rodriguez, Coraline Roos
Maleficent's Bodyguards ----- Lily Derr, Olive McGrath
Smitten Kids ----- Janea Clemens, Ellie Gonzalez

CAST LISTS (CONT.)

Students ----- Natalie Alison, Rhys Benvenuti, Mila Bracamonte
 ----- Janea Clemens, Chloe Cleveland, Addison, Dryden
 -----Cohen Dryden, Alison Garrard, Ellie Gonzalez, Sofia Guerrero
 ----- Natalie Hernandez, Sandra Kreps, Jordan Labuen
 -----Scarlett Lopez, Olive McGrath, Maebe Ochoa
 -----Mark Smith, Ximena Uribe, Malak Velez-Elbaly

PRESHOW – *ONCE UPON A TIME WHEN THEY WERE YOUNG* GOOD CHARACTERS

Young Faye (Fairy Godmother) ----- Coraline Roos
 Young Prince Adam (Beast)----- Mark Smith
 Young Belle ----- RaeRui Cross
 Young Peter Pan-----Nathan Weir
 Young Henry (Prince Charming) -----Cohen Dryden
 Young Hamed (Sultan) -----Finley McWey
 Young Dwarf Grumpy ----- Maverick Solomon
 Young Dwarf Dopey ----- Lillian McWey
 Young Dwarf Bashful----- Daniel Nguyen
 Young Dog ----- Malak Velez-Elbaaly
 Young Dog ----- Rhys Benvenuti
 Young Anita ----- Ellie Gonzalez
 Young (Aurora) Sleeping Beauty -----London Rodriguez
 Young Cinderella -----Audrina Brown

PRESHOW – BAD CHARACTERS

Young Maleficent ----- Chloe Cleveland
 Young Gaston -----Henry Guerrero
 Young Captain Hook-----3Jordan Lebuen
 Young Jafar ----- Cristian Delgadillo
 Young Grimhilde -----Mila Bracamonte
 Young Cruella ----- Natalie Alison



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CAST BIOGRAPHIES

(in alphabetical order)

Natalie Allison

Natalie Allison is spending her third summer in a theater camp, though this is her first with CPP. She is bright and friendly, loves to read and make new friends. She can be a little shy on stage but when she's confident she shines!

Jaxon Barrett

Jaxon is thrilled to be participating in his first CPP summer show. He thanks his mom for not making him camp the rest of the summer. Thank you to Richard, Chuck, and the rest of the CPP family for always pushing us to be better.

Rhys Benenutti

No Biography Submitted

Chloe Blanco

Chloe Blanco is 11 years old and going into the sixth grade at John Glenn middle school. She is very excited to be in her 6th production – her third production with CPP. She enjoys making new friends and getting to learn and grow in every show.

Mia Bracamonte

No Biography Submitted

Mila Bracamonte

No Biography Submitted

Abigail Bristow

No Biography Submitted

Audrina Brown

I am 6 years old and this is my first performance at CPP. I took theater through ELOP at Kennedy Elementary. The first theater show I saw was Annie and I knew I wanted to be a part of something so spectacular. I am shy at first, but once I feel comfortable, I love to perform. I have been in dance and gymnastics for a while, and I love to be on stage.

Teyha Castro

No Biography Submitted

Janea Clemens

Janea is an 11 year old soon-to-be 6th grader at DRA. She loves working with CPP/YTP and has been for three years. *Descendants* is Janea's 16th show. She likes writing stories, hanging out with friends and recently got into lost media (of shows and internet things). Some past shows she has been in are *Seussical Jr*, *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Jr*, *Annie Jr*, and most recently *Dare to Dream Jr*. She also likes shows like *Chiverse*, *Gravity Falls*, *Minecraft*, *TADC*, etc. One thing she loves to do is solve fictional mysteries, though she doesn't really have the right tools for it.

CAST BIOGRAPHIES (CONT.)

Chloe Cleveland

I am a 4th-grade student at Carter and enjoy participating in theater. I'm excited to be part of another production with CPP! Previous credits include *Beetlejuice*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Annie Jr.*, *As the Compass Spins*, *Pure Imagination*, *Raise Your Voice*, and *Disney's Dare To Dream Jr.*

RaeRui Cross

No Biography Submitted

Cristian Delgadillo

No Biography Submitted

Emma Denault

Emma is excited to be performing in another CPP production! She has been involved in theater for the past two years and has appeared in productions at Bermuda Dunes Learning Center and CPP, including *The Lion King*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Annie*, and *Disney Dare to Dream*. She loves to perform and is happy to follow in Ms. Amanda's foot steps.

RiRi Denis

No Biography Submitted

Lily Derr

Lilyanna is going into 8th grade at PDCMS. She loves to be on stage and has been in the *Nutcracker* ballet 5 times. She also participated in multiple June shows at Starlight Dance Center for 6 years! She did 1 year of competitive dance Jazz/Hip Hop! She is currently on varsity Color Guard team for PDCMS! She also took drama as her elective for 2 years! This will be her first show at CPP's and she is very excited.

Kali Dimmitt

No Biography Submitted

Brooke Drinville

This is my 8th theatre production and I am so excited to play the role of Audrey! Some other roles I've played include: Cady Heron in *Mean Girls Jr.* Duchess in *Alice in Gatorland*, and Candy Hammernose in *Madagascar Jr.* I love singing, acting, and dancing. I am really looking forward to other productions in the future. I hope my cast mates had as much fun as I did during this show! (Break a leg everyone!) And I hope you enjoy it as much as we did putting it together! Enjoy the show, and don't forget, there's so many ways to be wicked.

Addison Dryden

No Biography Submitted

Cohen Dryden

No Biography Submitted

CAST BIOGRAPHIES (CONT.)

Nailyn Escandon

Nailyn is 13 years old and is in 8th grade at Palm Desert Charter Middle School. This is her first CPP production, but she has performed in two middle school plays, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Hard Candy*. She is always eager to grow as a performer.

Gage Fell

At just 11 years old, Gage Fell is returning for his third season with CPP! Bursting with energy, charisma, and charm, Gage brings a contagious enthusiasm to every rehearsal and performance. He loves being on stage, making new friends, and having fun while doing what he loves. Gage is excited to be back with the CPP family and can't wait to share some more great shows with everyone!

Teagan Fraser

No Biography Submitted

Alison Garrard

Alison Garrard is in 7th grade at Palm Desert Charter Middle School. I am excited to participate in Children's Playtime Productions. I am interested in performing arts and I would like to pursue it as a possible career.

Uriyah German

Hiiiiiii my name is Uriyah and I'm 10 years old. This is my second show and I'm very glad to be here. I go to school at Abraham Lincoln elementary school

Izie Gomez

I am 13 years old and starting 8th grade this year. During my time at Palm Desert Charter Middle I've participated in 2 different school theater productions. I was also in school choir where I sang 2 solos. My hobbies include music, art, and reading astronomy.

Amelie Gonzalez

No Biography Submitted

Ellie Gonzalez

No Biography Submitted

Mikaela Gonzalez

No Biography Submitted

Sophia Grandmain

I am going to 7th grade at the Palm Desert Charter Middle School. This is the first time I will be in a play. I love to be on stage and I am in the Varsity Team for color guard as a sport. I am 12 years old. I think this will be a good learning experience for future plays at the CPP. I love to sing, dance, draw and read. I have seen all of the Descendents movies, and I know all of the songs to all of them. I am very excited to start this awesome new experience in acting for the future!

CAST BIOGRAPHIES (CONT.)

Henry Guerrero

No Biography Submitted

Sofia Guerrero

No Biography Submitted

Natalie Hernandez

No Biography Submitted

Shaela Jerominski

Shaela Jerominski is going into 7th grade at Sacred Heart School. She is one of five siblings who loves to perform on stage and dance. She has been in several musical roles including *"Madagascar Jr"*, *"Pure Imagination Revue"*, *"Raise Your Voice Revue"* and *"Dare to Dream Jr"*, along with other lead roles in school performances. When she is not performing on stage, Shaela likes to play basketball and read. She looks forward to being in more CPP performances and to someday be on Broadway.

Shia Jerominski

Shia Jerominski is going into 4th grade at Sacred Heart School. She is one of five siblings. This is her first time performing with CPP and is very excited for her role as Jane in *"Descendants "*. When Shia is not performing, she enjoys swimming, drawing, and traveling with her siblings.

Shiloh Jerominski

Shiloh Jerominski is going into 5th grade at Sacred Heart School. She is one of five siblings. This is her first time performing with CPP and is very excited to play the role of Carlos in *"Descendants"*. When Shiloh is not performing on stage she likes to swim and travel with her siblings.

Sandra Kreps

No Biography Submitted

Olivia Kruk

I am Olivia. I am almost 11 years old and I go to Gearld Ford Elementary. I have done one other play here before (*Wicked*) and loved it. I hope I can be in more plays soon.

Jordan Labuen

No Biography Submitted

Scarlet Lopez

No Biography Submitted

Isaac McCauley

No Biography Submitted

CAST BIOGRAPHIES (CONT.)

Olive McGrath

I've had some experience with theatre before I got into this. I do color guard - I'm going to be in JV next year, so that's cool! I like drawing too. People will say I've got a sense of humor as well, I guess, blah blah blah, boring! It's my second time doing this and I did *Disney's Dare to Dream* so like yeah, uhhhhmmm! I play VR and.....gorilla tag... if people even know what that is anymore. I think this is all I can do so hehehehehehamsnfuebf

Finley McWey

Finley McWey is preparing to enter 4th grade. He has 2 years experience in school choir and musical theatre, and is excited to perform in his first show with CPP.

Lilian McWey

Lilian McWey will be entering 1st grade this coming year. She has one year of musical theatre experience and is excited to perform in his first show with CPP.

Avery Mims

No Biography Submitted

Amelie Nelson

Amelie is a soon to be freshman at Palm Desert High School. Amelie is so excited to not only be a cast member, but also a junior counselor, a staff member, and one of four choreographers. You may see her choreography in *Rotten to the Core*, *Evil like me*, and *Space Between*. Maleficent has been one of Amelie's dream roles ever since she discovered *Descendants*. She is so happy to show everyone how she made this character her own. Amelie's main goal in life is to make an impact on the people who watch her do what she loves best, to perform. Enjoy the show!

Daniel Nguyen

Daniel (Benjamin Franklin Elementary) A talented kindergartener, Daniel shines with a powerful singing voice, expressive acting, and great dancing skills. He dreams of being a CPP lead actor until age 18. Afterward, Daniel is determined to enlist in the military to proudly serve our beautiful country. 🇺🇸 us

Maebe Ochoa

No Biography Submitted

London Rodriguez

No Biography Submitted

Coraline Roos

Hello my name is Coraline, This is my third show with this company, I love to sing and dance. I am 9 years old at the moment; I am going into fourth grade, My hobbies include reading, acting, choreographing and random stuff. I am not a newcomer; I wouldn't say I am an "OG"

CAST BIOGRAPHIES (CONT.)

Tymek Sanchez

My name is Tymek Sanchez and I am 12. I am going to the 7th grade and am very excited to perform in this show. Thank you CPP for giving me this opportunity to act. I hope you enjoy the show.

Vivian Shaver

Vivian, age 10, is an incoming 6th grader at PDCMS excited to perform in Disney's *Descendants: The Musical*, her fifth CPP production. She previously appeared in *Disney's Dare to Dream*, *Raise Your Voice*, *Pure Imagination*, and *Madagascar Jr.* with CPP, and *Moana Jr.* with Desert Theatricals. She loves being in shows, performing onstage with her friends, wearing different costumes, and bringing new characters to life.

Lola Singleton

Lola is 14 years old and is proud to call *Descendants* her 5th show with CPP.

London Singleton

No Biography Submitted

Madelyn Smith

Maddie is happy to participate in another summer camp production with CPP. She enjoys learning about all aspects of theater and especially looks up to the older kids. She enjoys shows with singing and dancing.

Mark Smith

No Biography Submitted

Maverick Solomon

No Biography Submitted

Symphony Solomon

No Biography Submitted

Ximena Uribe

My name is Ximena Uribe. I just turned 10 on August 5th and this is my first production with CPP. I have been in different plays including, Anita in *101 Dalmatians*, Buddy the Elf, and Disney musical. Some of my hobbies outside from acting are softball, baking, arts and crafts, and hanging out with family. I hope you enjoy the show.

Malak Velez-Elbaaly

I am 7 years old and will be entering 2nd grade. This will be my first production. I take voice lessons and play drums. I love entertaining people!

Nathan Weir

No Biography Submitted

COUNSELOR & INSTRUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

Ally Afsar, Junior Counselor

This is Ally's 3rd year doing a show with CPP. It's a great honor to be part of this program as a counselor. Helping these kids to grow is great. I'm so proud of these young actors!

Calisi Avalos, Props Master

Calisi is 13 has been acting for 7 years. Having participated in CPP's AIT Spring Break Camp, Calisi returns for a 2nd time – this time to serve as Props Master. Not able to imagine life without theater, Calisi looks forward to more shows!

Susannah (Vera) Brown, Counselor, Set Designer, Preshow Writer

Susannah started with CPP and RCDF as an actress in middle school. After earning her bachelor in theater arts with a minor in music, Susannah went on to receive a masters in script and screenwriting. Upon returning to the desert with immense knowledge (and passion) for theater and teaching, Susannah took on her role as drama teacher for her alma mater – Palm Desert High School.

Katie Carian, Choreography

This is Katie's debut as a choreographer for CPP/YTP. We are grateful for what she brought to Descendants and look forward to working with her on future projects.

Audrey Cleveland, Junior Counselor

Audrey is one of several CPP regular performers who opted to learn this summer from the "other side" as a counselor! We are always thrilled when they experience our POV!

Steve Ledoux, Counselor

Steve comes to CPP from Washington Charter School where he is a teacher. His professionalism with a friendly smile and demeanor kept camp moving forward.

Mack Maggard, Counselor

This is Mack's 3rd Adventures in Theatre Camp with CPP. We are grateful for Mack's talents and patience working with the kids to bring out their best.

Amelie Nelson, Choreography

Amelie is, once again, honing her choreography skills in this production. She hopes her hard work and dedication are apparent and help you to enjoy the show!! Thanks to Chuck and Richard for their support and confidence!

Madison Palmer, Junior Counselor

Another performer taking a turn at counselor for a 2nd time is Madison. We're pleased to have her helping the campers succeed!

Julian Perez, Counselor

CPP Alum, Julian, returns to share his talents as counsellor to help new talent blossom.

Katie Piron, Junior Counselor

Katie is a former CPP camper-turned-counselor who loves guiding young performers. When she's not on or back stage, she's busy running @katies_premier_crochet

COUNSELOR & INSTRUCTOR BIOS (cont.)

Tesla Roos, Counselor

This is Tesla's 2nd time as a Camp Counselor for CPP. In "real life", Tesla is a Career and Technical Education (CTE) Coordinator at La Quinta High School.

Zosia Sanchez, Junior Counselor

Zosia is very excited to be helping with this camp! We are thrilled she is back as well!!!

Jodi Shaver, Choreography

Last summer camp Jodi's daughter participated as a camper. As per our devious design, Jodi is now succumbed to the allure and jumped full into choreography, prop design, and so much more for which we are thankful.

Maddie Steubs, Junior Counselor

Maddie, too, comes fresh off of performing in Dare to Dream at the McCallum in May to take on the role of Junior Counselor in this camp.

Lexie Uribe, Props Master

Lexie has participated in theater for 4 years and is excited to join the cast of this year's CPP Summer Camp production! She's currently 13 years old in 8th grade! She's been part of backstage crew for Mean Girls. Jr, and now in Descendants – her 1st with CPP!

Dominick Weir, Junior Counselor

Having actually listened to lessons we taught in productions over the past 5 years, Dominick was now ready to venture forth as an instructor. We couldn't be happier!

Ayanna Wilson, Choreography

Another past participant turned local teacher, Ayanna is drama teacher at Desert Mirage High School as well as the instructor of our Tuesday Dance Club.

THE UN-NAMED STAFF

CPP is proud that it is able to continue to provide the youth of the Coachella Valley with the experience of performing in professional productions. It takes a large "staff" of volunteers to put on our productions so that all children can take part. These volunteers include parents, families and friends of cast members, as well as friends of CPP and of theatre in general, all of whom put countless hours into making sets, costumes, and props. They also include the experienced adult actors and actresses who give of their time and talents so generously. All of these volunteers give in order to ensure that the children who are in the production, as well as those who come see the production are impacted in the most positive ways. At the end of the day, it is the difference we make

STAFF BIOGRAPHIES (in alphabetical order)

Chuck Balgenorth, Co-Producer, Director, Co-Stage Manager, et al.

A former King of acronyms (JD, MBA, BSEE), Chuck is CPP's Secretary/Treasurer, Programs Manager, Theatrical Director, and, resident Jack-Of-All-Trades. He is reputed to be **intimidating** (likely because he has the unmitigated gall to know what's needed for their success and relentlessly insists it happens). In addition to acting for CPP, Chuck was also the RCDF Nightly Musical's Co-Producer, Writer, Director, Stage Manager, and, in-a-pinch-performer for 16 years!

Christie Clemens, Musical Director, Co-Stage Manager, Production Support

Christie has been around for nearly half of CPP's existence, having been in several productions as well as working behind the scenes as music director, stage manager, makeup artist, stagehand, props-maker and everything in between. Her favorite thing in life is teaching these amazing kids acting and singing and then watching them grow both in life and professionally.

Richard Clemens (aka "Christie's Richard"), Production Support

Richard has been with CPP for 15 years. He has helped build sets and paint, and served as a stagehand and prop master. Richard enjoys helping with anything that is needed for CPP and particularly loves that his wife and daughter are part of the CPP family together with him.

Matthew Creighton, Production Support

Having started with set and prop building for CPP's *Shrek Jr*, Matthew then followed his talented son Bennett through several more CPP productions - expanding his efforts to sound production, design, and operation – and even into lighting design and overall tech assistance. Somewhere along the line he realized that his son wasn't even there (having gone to pursue his own dreams at Cal Poly SLO) – but Matthew still stuck around to have fun. He is going on his ninth year helping Chuck and Richard bring more amazing CPP/YTP productions to life on stage.

Richard De Haven, SAO, MIC, KEY, MOU, SE

Richard is CPP's Prominent Texter, YTP Web Manager, School Coordinator, and, wait, something else? Oh, right, President. He has been with CPP for 28 of its 30 years, has performed in countless productions, and has worked even harder behind the scenes for CPP/YTP and RCDF. Still, no one ever knows where he is - - - curious, huh?!?

Susan Piron, Production Assistant, Vocal Coach

Susan is a musical theatre enthusiast and classically trained soprano with a love for teaching. She holds a BA in Music from Cal State Fullerton and is a credentialed teacher with over 20 years experience in education. Susan is the mother of four and wife to Shaun who is along for the ride with their crazy schedule of classes and theater outings. She is grateful to the staff and families of CPP for welcoming her and giving her an outlet to let her creativity flow and to pass along the love of music to the next generation. She would like to give a special shout out to her Singing to Broadway students!

STAFF BIOGRAPHIES (CONT.)

Joshik Sanchez

Joshik returns, once again, to manage microphones and our amazing machine with all the colors and lights to ensure the audience hears the show clearly.

Samantha “Sami” Simonds

This is Samantha's 1st time working with CPP. Choosing to start small, Sami is taking on costumes for this little production with 56 cast members and 154 full costumes. She is very excited to help bring this show to life and see the kids do what they love.

Nick Wass (Wass Projections), Projection Design

The Broadway World and Desert Theatre League award winner has been involved with CPP for 10 years, starting onstage in shows like Shrek Jr (Farquaad), James and the Giant Peach, Jr (Ladahlord the Narrator), and Mary Poppins, Jr (Mr. Banks). Donating his time, he helped renovate the YTP mall space. Wass then began designing lighting and projections for their productions (Matilda Jr, Charlotte's Web, The Rocky Monster Show, etc.) Nick owns both Wass Projections and Wass Tech, designing tech for theatres internationally, with 5 west coast premieres under his belt (Be More Chill, Driver Seat, Harry Potter Cursed Child, Prince of Egypt, and Unbound), and 3 of the 50 states with Frozen musicals. Nick is a regular designer for world famous theatres like North Shore Music Theatre, New Zealand's Canterbury Ballet, and Reno Little Theatre. Nick is very thankful to Chuck and Richard, as well as his girlfriend Alexa.

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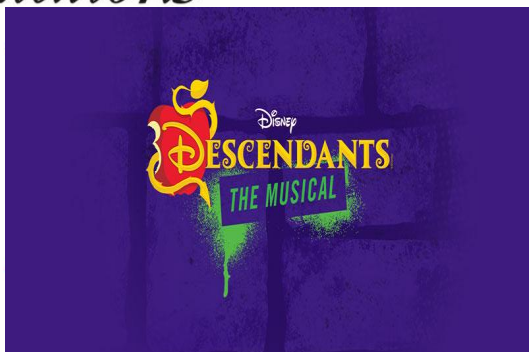
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WHERE WE'RE GOING!?

WE WANT TO DO MORE! There is an incredible pool of talented, creative young people in this valley who hunger to perform and simply don't have the opportunity on a regular basis. Nor do they have an ideal venue. Our goal is to provide both opportunities through additional programs, workshops and partnerships. Our Youtheatre Players performance venue dedicated to youth. Of course, this requires a plan, a pool of dedicated staff and volunteers and financial resources. Help if you can! Find people to help if you can! Come along for the ride and we'll see it happen!

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