

Bios for The Little Mermaid Cast

Malachi Anderson

Malachi Anderson (8th grade) is excited to be a part of The Little Mermaid. He's been acting with Eagle's Nest for over a year and has greatly enjoyed his time! He loves to be on stage and is eager to be once more! Starting with Elf Jr., he's loved every performance he's been in and he can't wait to add another one to the list. He's had a great time at EN and looks forward to more performances in the future. He hopes you enjoy this show as much as he does!

Matthew Anderson

Matthew Anderson (7th grade) is very excited to perform The Little Mermaid with Eagle's Nest Performing Arts! He has done every musical Eagle's Nest has put on since Elf Jr. and cannot wait to add a fourth one! His favorite role he has played so far is Nigel in Finding Nemo Jr.

Ellen Avery

Ellen Avery (6th grade) is a 12-year-old performer who is grateful to be part of The Little Mermaid. She has loved being on stage for years and has previously appeared in The Wizard of Oz, Aladdin, Beauty and the Beast, Nemo Jr., and Elf Jr. Ellen thanks God for the opportunity to use her gifts and is thankful for the love and support of her family, directors, cast, and crew. She hopes this performance brings joy and encouragement to everyone watching.

Catherine Bleich

Catherine is a sophomore student participating in her 6th Eagle's Nest musical. She has been an active member of the Eagle's Nest Performing Arts since its inception. She performed in *Annie Jr.*, *Willy Wonka*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Mary Poppins*, and *Wizard of Oz*. Additionally, she has been a part of the EN Musical Theater, Advanced Acting classes, Improv, and Murder Mystery shows. She enjoys performing and is so thankful to Mrs. Lauren Lundberg and the many volunteers who make the shows possible.

Gabriel Cammell

Gabriel Cammell (8th grade) has been a member of Eagle's Nest Performing Arts since 2023, primarily in drama classes and choir. He was a banker and an ensemble member in 2024's Mary Poppins, and this year was thrilled when Mrs. Lauren gave him the awesome opportunity to fill the comic role of Scuttle. He's grateful for her encouragement, support, and patience as he's learned a LOT during this show!

Jonathan Cammell

Jonathan Cammell, (7th grade) pronounced kuh-MELL, not camel, likes all kinds of art: animation, drawing, painting, and tie-dye. He's a prolific writer (currently working on two novels) as well as a YouTuber. Hailing from all the way across the world in New Zealand, he looks forward to returning to his homeland one day to explore sites from The Lord of the Rings films. After singing in the Eagle's Nest choir last year, he decided to try drama classes in the fall, and enjoyed them so much this year he auditioned for his first musical!

Matthew Cammell

This is Matthew's (11th grade) third production with Eagle's Nest, after deeply enjoying the last two musicals he's been in, playing the roles of John Northbrook (Mary Poppins), and The Oz Guard (Wizard of Oz). After joining ENPA's team, he's done almost every drama opportunity he's been able to! He enjoys dancing with compass, and singing with friends and family alike. He'd like to thank his closest friends for their support throughout his dramatic journey. He'd like to also thank Mrs. Lauren for guiding him through his joining Performing arts, and showing him how incredible it truly is. He looks forward to the next production he gets to work on!

Messina Credidio

Messina Credidio (11th grade) is in her third year with Eagle's Nest Performing Arts. She has previously appeared as an ensemble member in Mary Poppins, the Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz, and in multiple roles across three murder mystery productions. In addition to performing, Messina has worked on crew for junior musicals and served as assistant director for last year's junior production. She is incredibly grateful for the opportunity to be assistant stage manager for The Little Mermaid this year. She thanks Mrs. Lauren Lundberg and Hannah Lundberg for the opportunity and for teaching her so much, as well as her friends and family for their constant support.

Joseph Everett

(11th grade) Howdy! This is the first musical I have ever been a part of, and I have loved every second of it. I would like to thank my mom for making me try acting even when I didn't want to. Without her pushing me out of my comfort zone, I would have never discovered my love for drama. I also wish to thank the entire cast and crew for pouring countless hours of their lives into this production. Without all of them, this show would never have come together. Most of all I want to thank the Lord for giving me my talents and blessing me with the opportunity to perform in this musical.

Alexa Gibson

(11th grade) This will be the 4th show I have been able to participate in at Eagle's Nest. I have also helped on crew for all of the jr. musicals. I'm excited to be in some of the more advanced dance portions this year. I am so proud of Caleb for getting the lead role and so proud of how far he has come in acting. He has cheered me on even when I didn't get the roles I wanted and has been such an encouragement to me and others!

Lily Hanners

(11th grade) Lily began performing 4 years ago at the Town Square Playhouse in Fayetteville. This is her first musical production with Eagle's Nest. Some of her favorite roles that she has played are "Campbell" in Bring it On, one of the wicked stepsisters in "Into the Woods", and Rebecca Fitzwilliam in "The Crimson House Murder". She's so grateful for her family and friends' support through her journey in the performing arts. She would also like to thank Mrs. Lauren for helping her grow as an actress, and for being so generous and trusting. She can't wait to see what the theater holds next!

Bennett Homan

Homan is a 6th grader who was previously in Eagle's Nest Performing Arts elementary drama. Most recently, he performed in Finding Nemo Jr. in 2025. Since joining ENCHEA Performing Arts, he has discovered the pure joy of being a true "theater kid" and lights up every time he steps on stage. Bennett is thankful for this wonderful opportunity to grow as a performer and express himself through acting, singing, and dancing. He is grateful to everyone who has supported him along the way.

Grace Homan

Grace Homan is a sophomore who is passionate about musical theater and thrilled to be part of the ENCHEA Performing Arts program. Her previous performances include Mary Poppins in 2024 and The Wizard of Oz in 2025. She loves singing and dancing and is incredibly grateful for every opportunity to do what she enjoys most on stage. Grace is thankful to the Lord for opening this door of opportunity and feels blessed to pursue her passion through ENCHEA Performing Arts. She is especially grateful for the constant encouragement and love from her family, friends, and Mrs. Lauren.

Ryan Homan

Ryan is a 6th grader who has been actively involved in Eagle's Nest Performing Arts elementary drama and most recently performed in Finding Nemo Jr. in 2025. Since joining ENCHEA Performing Arts, he has fallen in love with the excitement and creativity of theater. Ryan especially cherishes the friendships he has made with his fellow cast members and would love to continue performing in future productions. He is thankful for all the new friends who have made this experience so special and looks forward to making even more memories on stage.

Andrew Huckaby

Andrew Huckaby (7th grade) made his debut last year. His first ever play was The Crimson House Murder, and his first musical was Finding Nemo Jr. The Little Mermaid is his second ever musical, and he has enjoyed every bit of it! He's happiest when singing, acting, or dancing, and he's delighted to have a hobby that does all three. His favorite role was also his first: the eccentric Colonel Chutney in The Crimson House Murder. He'd like to thank Mrs Lauren for helping him along the way and for excelling in what she does. He'd also like to thank his family for their support. He dedicates his creative skills to God, and is excited to get to perform in The Little Mermaid!

Allison Ingle

Allison (10th grade) has been in EN Performing Arts for 3 years and is happy to play the role of Andrina. She loves to sing, act, shop, hang out with friends, and she loves to try every new adventure she can. She would like to pursue cosmetology and acting professionally. Allison thanks Mrs. Lauren Lundberg for being there for her and pushing her to be a better actress and singer, Mrs. Bea Scalf and Mrs. Echo Morris for working so hard on the costumes, specifically for the mersister costumes, the mersisters for being so supportive and being so positive about everything, Mrs. Amanda Long for being so kind,

funny, and being like a second mom to her, Adi Long for being such an amazing friend and being so fun and looking for the positive in every situation, and lastly her parents for being there for her and being supportive and always teaching her to be grateful and positive.

Aubrey Jones

Aubrey (8th grade) has been in every EN musical since the start of the program and enjoys pouring her heart into every role that she has! Some of her favorites have been Violet Beauregard in *Willie Wonka*, and Genie in *Aladdin*. Her most recent role was as Gil, Nemo's Tank-Gang Mentor in *Finding Nemo*. This production she is "eely" excited to bring Ursula's evil side-kick, Flotsam to life for her audience! She would like to thank Mrs. Lauren for letting her make this role even more her own by getting to stretch her choreographer muscles, and always seeing her potential and pushing her to help her grow as an actress.

Brynna Jones

From spunky orphan July in *Annie*, to spoiled Veruca Salt in *Willie Wonka*, sweet Mrs. Pots in *Beauty and the Beast*, and sassy housekeeper Mrs. Brill in *Mary Poppins*, Brynna (10th grade) has enjoyed bringing different characters to life during her time in EN Performing Arts. This year, she is excited to bring her joy and energy to the bubbly Mersister Aquata! She wants to thank all her family and friends for their constant support, as well as Mrs. Lauren for all her time and mentorship which means the world.

Liam Jones

Liam (5th grade) has sung and danced his way into his audience's hearts in every musical EN has done to date. From the youngest member of *Annie* to his most recent role as Crush in *Finding Nemo*, Liam has loved every second of his time on stage. Some of his favorite roles have been the arrogantly sinister Jafar in *Aladdin* and the adorable scamp Michael in *Mary Poppins*. This year, Liam is excited to lend his voice to the ensemble and bring joy and energy to the sailors and chefs!

Alyssa Lesak

Hi, my name is Alyssa Lesak. I'm in 7th grade. This is my first show with Eagle's Nest. I have done three shows with past schools I attended including, The Lion

King, Pirates Past Noon, and Suessical. Some of my hobbies are reading, exercising, and sleeping. I also love to sing.

Adalyn Long

Adalyn Long is a sophomore who is excited to take the stage as Arista, a mermaid, in *The Little Mermaid*. She has previously appeared as an Orphan in *Annie Jr.*, an Oompa Loompa in *Willy Wonka*, and a Trois Filles (Silly Girl) in *Beauty and the Beast*. Her past roles also include Ensemble in *Aladdin Jr.*, Mrs. Lark in *Mary Poppins*, and a crew member in *Elf Jr.* In *The Wizard of Oz*, she took on multiple roles, including a Tree, Jitterbug, and Beautician, and she contributed her talents behind the scenes with hair and makeup for *Finding Nemo Jr.* This marks her ninth production with Eagle's Nest. Adi would like to thank her parents, friends, family, and director for their continued support.

Annistyn Long

Annistyn is a sixth grader who is thrilled to take the stage as Flounder in *The Little Mermaid*. She has previously appeared as an Orphan in *Annie Jr.*, an Oompa Loompa in *Willy Wonka*, Chip in *Beauty and the Beast*, Rajah in *Aladdin Jr.*, a Toy in *Mary Poppins*, The Manager in *Elf Jr.*, and multiple roles—including a Munchkin, Ozian, and Jitterbug—in *The Wizard of Oz*. She also brought energy and fun to the role of Bubbles in *Finding Nemo Jr.* This marks her ninth production with Eagle's Nest. Annistyn would like to thank her parents, friends, family, and director for their continued support.

Hannah Lundberg

Hannah is a Theatre Production Design and Technology major at Samford University. She is also an Eagle's Nest alumni, and so happy to continue to be a part of this program. She is so honored to be the stage manager of *Little Mermaid*! She would like to thank her family for always being so supportive, and the cast and crew for being so great to work with.

Isaac Lundberg

Isaac Lundberg (11th grade) is not a stranger to the stage. He has been in every musical production at Eagle's Nest including multiple plays and other drama events since its beginning. Isaac's favorite role was *The Cowardly Lion* in *The Wizard of Oz*. He would like to thank the entire cast and production team for their tremendous effort in making the shows possible.

Lauren Lundberg

Lauren Lundberg is the Founder & Director of the Eagle's Nest Performing Arts Department: A homeschool organization that features choirs, musicals, plays, improv, and drama classes. She has a B.M.E in Music Education with a Minor in Theatre from Shorter University. She has directed choirs and taught private lessons for over 20 years as well as leading worship for many years. She has produced and directed numerous plays and musicals featuring elementary through high school students. Her passion is all things music and drama and loves to inspire future generations to love the arts.

Ellie Maes

Thirteen-year-old Ellie made her theatrical debut as Deb the secretary in Elf, Jr. Her natural talent immediately shone through in her first performance. Ellie discovered her passion for the stage and eagerly pursued theatrical opportunities. She approaches each role with creativity and joy. Ellie is excited to continue her acting journey in this production!

Madalyn Maes

Fourteen-year-old Madalyn returns to the stage after captivating audiences in previous Kono's productions. Her memorable portrayal of Rosie the Riveter showcased her dynamic stage presence. Madalyn brings enthusiasm and dedication to every performance. She continues to develop her theatrical talents with each new role. Madalyn is delighted to share this production with you!

Carolina Mankus

(8th grade) I would like to start by saying thank you to everyone who has helped me throughout this process of continuing theater. Everyone has been so kind and supportive and I really hope that I will be able to continue theater at Eagle's Nest. Other than theater, some of my hobbies include reading, playing Violin, and making art and making puppets. Thank you all so much for including me in The Little Mermaid!!!

Willow Matkovich

Willow Matkovich (11th grade) has participated in six musicals and one play, performing with the drama programs at Eagle's Nest, Konos, and Greenhouse. She especially enjoys being part of the ensemble, where she can help bring the story to life through group dance numbers and shared

moments on stage. In addition to performing, Willow has contributed behind the scenes by working on costumes for Eagle's Nest junior musicals, a part of theater she finds equally rewarding. Outside of performing, Willow has a strong love for musicals and theater. Over the past year, she has seen four productions on Broadway as well as several local performances, experiences that continue to inspire her passion for the stage.

Abigail McKenzie

Abigail McKenzie (9th grade) is excited to be a Maid, Seahorse, Swan, and part of the ensemble for ENCHEA'S performance of *The Little Mermaid*. Her debut was in 2022 as a squirrel, child, and with the ensemble in *Willie Wonka*. Since then, she has also had the opportunity to perform in *Aladdin JR.*, *Mary Poppins*, *Elf Jr.*, *Wizard of Oz*. My favorite musical so far has been *Mary Poppins*. Abigail is happy to share Jesus through her smile on stage.

Ansley McKenzie

Ansley McKenzie (7th grade) is delighted to be participating in this year's performance of *The Little Mermaid*, with the ensemble and also as a Jellyfish, Maid, and Dragonfly. Over the last four years she has had the pleasure of performing in a number of Eagle's Nest Musicals. Her first acting performance was in *Willy Wonka* followed by *Beauty and the Beast*, *Aladdin Jr.*, *Mary Poppins*, *Elf Jr.*, and *Wizard of Oz*. Ansley hopes to be a bright light on stage for God for many years to come.

Caleb Meng

Caleb Meng (11th grade) loves the stage and has performed in numerous productions since his debut at age 11 as Sandy the dog in *Annie Jr.* Recently, he has enjoyed playing Race in *Newsies* with Southside Theater and the Scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz* with ENCHEA Performing Arts. He is excited to take on the role of Prince Eric in *The Little Mermaid*. Caleb would like to thank the Lundberg family for sparking his interest in theater and supporting him along the way, his family for always encouraging him, and the Gibson family for cheering him on.

Moses Meng

Moses Meng (9th grade) loves all things theater. Since his debut as James in *Willy Wonka*, he has enjoyed performing, especially in his favorite role as Buddy the Elf in *Elf Jr.*, where he happily sang and danced across the stage.

He also enjoys contributing behind the scenes as part of the backstage crew. In his free time, Moses works to improve his dance skills by studying ballet, tap, and contemporary. He would like to thank the Lundberg family for their encouragement, Ms. Olivia May for helping him grow as a dancer, Ms. Bea for the wonderful costumes he gets to wear, and the Villani family for always cheering him on and making sure he's well fed.

Dixon Morris

Dixon Morris is 12 years old and has been doing acting for a couple years now. So far he has been in 3 musicals such as Elf Jr, Wizard of Oz, and Finding Nemo Jr. Outside of acting he likes to play board games and taking hikes.

Maddox Morris

Maddox Morris (8th grade) has been acting at Eagle's Nest for two years. He has acted in Elf Jr and Wizard of Oz. More recently he starred as Marlin in Finding Nemo Jr. He enjoys reading and building Lego. He plans to continue acting at Eagle's Nest as he gets into High School.

Leah Murphy

You may recognize Leah Murphy as Ariel in her senior year production of "The Little Mermaid". Leah has also enjoyed the roles of Glinda in "Wizard of Oz", Jane and Michael's mother, Winifred Banks, in "Mary Poppins", Belle in "Beauty and the Beast", and Charlie in "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory". Leah is thankful to have studied under Mrs. Lauren for almost 10 years and she has developed a love for singing and theatre that will carry into her future.

Miranda Odom

Miranda Odom (senior) has loved to sing since she was old enough to talk. She joined a local homeschool choir in 4th grade, and grew up singing in church. She began acting with Stage Right Theater Company in 2022 and is proud to now be part of Eagle's Nest Performing Arts. Ursula is her favorite Disney villain, and portraying her in this production is a dream come true! Her other favorite roles have been the Bird Woman in Eagles Nest's "Mary Poppins," Alice Wendleken in Stage Right's "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," and Sister Helen in Eagles Nest's murder mystery, "Holy Mother of Bingo."

Zack Odom

Zack Odom (5th grade) began singing in a local homeschool choir at the age of 3, and he is now excited to be part of Eagles Nest's Harmony Homeschool Choir. He made his musical theater debut as a Toy and member of the ensemble in "Mary Poppins." His favorite roles have been Michael Hobbs in Eagles Nest's production of "Elf, Jr." and Gurgle in "Finding Nemo, Jr."

Emery Palmer

Hi! My name is Emery Palmer (11th grade) and I have been a part of the Eagle's Nest musicals for five years. I have loved every single one of them. My hobbies include dancing, baking, and training my mini bernedoodle dog named Luna.

Sadie Porch

Sadie Porch (11th grade) is very excited to be performing in her fifth musical. She has been involved in theatre both onstage and behind the scenes, gaining experience in acting as well as various technical roles. She loves bringing joy and energy to the stage and is passionate about every part of the creative process. She would like to thank Mrs. Lauren, the entire production team, and her family and friends for their support throughout this show.

Eli Scalf

(Senior) I have been acting since I was little. My first role was in a show called "Gavin's Belle" at age 6. I've also been in the Adventures of Tom Sawyer. Last year, I appeared as Uncle Henry, the Winkie General, and an ensemble player in EN's production of Wizard of Oz. I love doing Eagle's Nest Murder Mystery Dinner Theater productions and being a part of the EN Improv Team, where my favorite game is "Walking down the street". I enjoy working as stage crew as well. I worked crew on Mary Poppins, Elf Jr., and Finding Nemo Jr. I could not have done any of this without the love and encouragement of my family and Mrs. Lauren, our amazing director!

Hunter Silence

My name is Hunter Silence. I am graduating this year and will be attending West Georgia Technical College in the fall. This is my first year helping with the musical and I hope to learn new things being on the crew. I enjoy playing my guitar, doing magic tricks, and bringing a smile to people's faces by

serving in my community. I would like to thank my Mom, Dad, and sisters who have helped me become the person I am today.

Haley Tillman

Haley (10th grade) has been doing theater with Eagle's Nest since she was nine years old and played an orphan in Annie Jr. Her favorite role so far has been as the shopkeeper in Aladdin Jr. She enjoys sewing, crafting, and singing. She'd like to thank her parents for all their support over the years, her two brothers for being her biggest fans, and her dog Bucky Barnes for being her practice audience when preparing for auditions.

Adia Turner

Adia Turner (6th grade) is excited to be a maid and blue crab in this year's production of The Little Mermaid. She was previously a seahorse in Finding Nemo Junior. She is an animal lover and when she is not practicing for her performance she is a junior dog trainer with Healing 4 Heroes, a local non-profit that helps veterans and first responders obtain a service dog. She would love to thank Mrs. Lauren for the amazing opportunity to be a part in these awesome musicals as well as everyone who works so hard to make them come to life. She would also like to thank her family and friends for supporting her during these performances.

Emelyn Turner

Emelyn Turner (9th grade) is excited to be one of Ariel's sisters, Adella, in this year's production of The Little Mermaid. She was a part of ensemble in last year's Wizard of Oz and assisted with makeup behind the scenes in Finding Nemo Junior. She loves getting to be a part of Eagle's Nest Performing Arts department. She would like to thank Mrs. Lauren and the many people who make these wonderful productions happen, and her family and friends that support her through practices, rehearsals, and performances.

Mia Villani

Hi I'm Mia, (11th grade) this is my fifth year in Performing Arts. I've performed in Beauty and the Beast as ensemble, and Mary Poppins as Katy Nanna and ensemble. I have been dancing for twelve years and have choreographed for our musicals Elf jr., Wizard of Oz, and Finding Nemo jr. I plan to continue choreographing, dancing, acting, and teaching in the future whenever the opportunity arises!

Lily Wallace

Lily Wallace, (8th grade) a seahorse, maid, and swan, is very excited to perform for everyone in "The Little Mermaid"! About two or three years ago, Lily developed a big passion for singing, dancing, performing, and theater in general. After debuting in "Elf the Musical jr.", she continued to audition for musicals such as "The Wizard of Oz" and "Finding Nemo jr.". Some of her favorite roles she's played have been a jitterbug in "The Wizard of Oz" and Dory in "Finding Nemo jr." Lily cannot wait to perform in "The Little Mermaid", and she hopes that everyone enjoys the show!

Riley Wallace

Riley Wallace (7th grade) has been performing in Eagle's Nest Performing Arts for about two years now and is excited to perform again in "The Little Mermaid"! She wants to thank her sister Lily for keeping her diligent in practicing her parts in the musical. She is a fish, maid, and cricket, and she can't wait to see everyone under the sea!

Ava Yarbrough

Ava (11th grade) has thoroughly enjoyed her ensemble roles in the Eagle's Nest musicals over the last 5 years. She started out as a crew member, and was able to see the backstage side of things as well. She would like to thank the directors for giving her the chance to come out of her shell, and her parents for all the love, support, and encouragement.

Daisy Young

Daisy Young (11th grade) has been a part of EN's Performing Arts for four years. She loves dancing and performing! She would like to thank Mrs. Lauren, Mrs. Amanda, friends, and family for their support!