

Liz Badya (Ensemble)

Liz is excited to work with Waterville Playshop again. She is also so excited to be cast in Frozen as a proud Disney Adult! She has also worked with 3B Productions and Perrysburg Theater with her most recent musicals being Rocky Horror (3B) and The Magician's Elephant (Perrysburg). When not doing theater she is vet tech and enjoys spending time with her handsome husband Matt and their 3 fur babies.

Whitney Bechstein (Elsa)

Whitney is a fourth-year Speech-Language Pathology (pre-Audiology) major with a minor in Health Science at The University of Toledo. On campus, you may find her leading campus tours, as President of Order of Omega, studying with her sisters in Chi Omega, or serving as a Presidential Ambassador. Although this is her first performance with Waterville Playshop, you may have seen her locally in the roles of Elle Woods in Legally Blonde (2022), Regina George in Mean Girls (2023), Ursula in The Little Mermaid (2023), The Dowager Empress in Anastasia (2024) & Annabeth in The Lightning Thief (2026). She is so excited for you to see all the hard work that everyone has put into this production!

Sarah Brown (Ensemble)

Sarah is thrilled to make theatrical Disney magic with Waterville Playshop. Past shows include: Beauty and the Beast with Bedford Players, She Loves Me with Waterville Playshop, In the Heights and Something Rotten with the Toledo Repertoire Theatre, and Spring Awakening with Cutting Edge Theatre Company. Sarah dedicates her performance to Everleigh, Tillie Jo, and Jhett: may you always cherish your family and be there for each other. Special thanks to her husband, Shayne, for always supporting her musical theatre obsession and enduring Frozen music on repeat at home: I hope you enjoy the full show; on stage and with other people!

Ben Byers (Lackey/Ensemble)

Benjamin is looking forward to his first musical experience with the Waterville Playshop as Weselton's Lackey and part of the wonderful ensemble cast. This will make his second performance on stage. He had a great time with his first performance in The Addam's Family Musical over the summer. He couldn't wait to be on stage again performing. He is a freshman at Bowling Green High School. Benjamin is very thankful to all who have helped him along the way to make this possible.

Denny Corathers (Bishop/Ensemble)

Denny started his career in 1971 in Half a Sixpence. He got bit by the theater bug and went to work for the Westgate Dinner Theater. He worked 17 & 1/2 years from the time they opened to the time they closed. He performed in Barnum, Sound of Music and Kiss me Kate and many others. When the Westgate closed he went to Alaska and performed in Cabin Night Dinner Theater for 25 seasons. After coming home, he performed in shows for Waterville Playshop, 3B Productions, The Rep, The Village, Oregon Players, and the Croswell Opera House. He created the role of Mortey in Sherwood Be Nice/Hoodwinked which went off Broadway. He's happy to be in Waterville Playshop's production of Frozen.

Audra Distler (Ensemble)

Audra is excited to make her Waterville Playshop debut in Frozen. She's excited to share this stage with such fun cast members and directors! Previously, she was in The Magician's Elephant with Perrysburg Musical Theatre after a long break from performing. Outside of theater, Audra enjoys spending time with her husband Nick, her daughter Fiona (who also enjoys performing in theater!), and their 2 cats. She loves puzzles, reading, and all things Harry Potter.

Becky Downs Beebe (Queen Iduna/Ensemble/featured dancer)

is delighted to be back on stage with Waterville Playshop. She'd previously performed with Playshop in Addams Family (Alice). Favorite credits include DISENCHANTED, 3B Productions (Sleeping Beauty); Mamma Mia! 3B (Tanya); Hairspray, 3B (Velma); Guys and Dolls, The Toledo Rep (Adelaide), Singing in The Rain, Toledo Rep (Kathy Selden); Nunsense, Toledo Rep (Sister Amnesia); The Pajama Game, UMT (Babe Williams); Oklahoma, Roses Dinner Theater (Ado Annie). Becky has been performing locally in Community Theater, and professionally locally/regionally for over 41 years. Becky would like to thank her Mom, daughter, and three sons for their continued love and support.

Lisa Ellison (Ensemble)

Outside of theater, Lisa enjoys portrait photography and playing with her two grandchildren. Lisa would like to thank Waterville Playshop for giving her the opportunity to come out of her shell, sing and dance and make friends.

Emma Glover (Anna)

Emma is so excited to perform for you this weekend! Some of Emma's recent theatre credits include Janice Mosher in *Come From Away* (3B Productions), Heidi in *[title of show]* (Bedford Community Players), and as Margo Crawford in *Bright Star* (3B Productions). Emma recently graduated from Lourdes University and holds a B.S. in Exercise Science. She works at ATI Physical Therapy as a Physical Therapy Aide, and when she isn't working, she can be found crocheting and spending time with her cat. Emma would like to thank her family and friends for all of their love and support. Enjoy the show!

Danielle (Dani) Henry (Ensemble)

is my first musical. I am enjoying my time in the children's ensemble. I am currently in 5th grade at Otsego Elementary. I am involved in softball and 4H. I can't wait until you all see the show. We have been having a great time!

Maezy Kirk (Handmaiden/Elsa Understudy/Ensemble)

Maezy is thrilled to returning to the Maumee Indoor stage in this amazing production of Frozen. She is currently entering her junior year at Maumee High School. Some of her most recent show credits include Maumee High school's SpongeBob SquarePants the Musical (SpongeBob SquarePants), Toledo Met's Mean Girls (Janis Sarkisan), and Come from Away (Delores) with the Northwest Ohio Theatre Educators Association. In her free time, she enjoys hanging out with friends, playing games, and writing her own music on occasion. Maezy would like to thank all her past and present directors, past and present vocal coaches, and the massive amount of support from her friends and family, all which have helped improve so much and make her want to keep doing theatre.

Olivia Martin (Boulda)

Olivia Martin is thrilled to be returning to the stage & bring Boulda to life. Outside of theater Olivia is a middle and high school intervention specialist and a co-director for the Junior Academy Drama Club at SUA. Olivia would like to thank her friends, family, and especially her Junior Academy Drama students for encouraging her to step back on stage!

Bob Marzola (Oaken/Ensemble)

Bob Marzola is a teacher for Bowling Green City Schools where during the day he teaches 5th grade and in the evening he choreographs BG's musicals. Occasionally Bob makes his way to the stage. Some of his favorite roles he has performed have been Scarecrow in Wizard of Oz, Cosmo Brown in Singing in the Rain and Pinocchio in

Shrek. Bob says one of his favorite things about Waterville Playshop is working alongside Joe and Janine. Lastly Bob would like to thank Phil and Brogan for their support in letting him do what he loves to do.

Paige McKinney (Ensemble)

Paige is very excited to be apart of the cast of Frozen! This is her 7th show and first with Waterville Playshop. She is a senior at Otsego High School where she has done several musicals at. Outside of school and theater she takes dance classes and loves spending time with her friends. She wants to thank her family for being so supportive. Enjoy the show!

Kyle Moninger (Kristoff)

Kyle Moninger is excited to trade statistics for snowshoes as Kristoff in *Frozen*! A statistics professor at BGSU by day, Kyle has been performing on local stages for nearly a decade. Favorite roles include Joe Hardy (*Damn Yankees*), Horton (*Seussical*), Lucas (*The Addams Family*), Sky (*Mamma Mia!*), and Sir Robin (*Spamalot*). When he's not teaching or performing, Kyle can usually be found playing board games, tending his flock of 33 chickens, and playing pickleball.

Carina Motisher (Ensemble)

Carina is a 7th grader at St. Aloysius Catholic School. This is her second production with Waterville Playshop, most recently playing the role of Sky in Beetlejuice. Other recent roles include: the rose in Horizon Youth Theatre's (HYT) production of The Little Prince, Flounder in St Aloysius' production of the Little Mermaid, and the Evil Stepmother in HYT's production of the Big Bad Musical. Carina is happiest when she is on stage. She would like to thank the directors and her sister for inspiring her love of theatre and hopes you enjoy the show!

Liliana Papp (Young Anna)

Liliana is thrilled to return to the stage with Waterville Playshop! She has discovered a passion for musical theatre and has performed in several other local productions, most recently appearing as Edwina in *Dear Edwina Jr.* When she's not on stage, she enjoys singing, playing piano and guitar, and spending time with friends. She is so excited to be part of this magical production of *Frozen*!

Anthony Rivera (Weselton's Lackey/Ensemble)

Anthony is excited to make his debut at Waterville Playshop. He has enjoyed getting to know the talented cast and crew and can't wait for you all to be filled with love and self-acceptance. A few of Anthony's favorite roles have been The Prom (ensemble), The Play that Goes Wrong (Dennis), Peter and the Star Catcher (Smee), It's a Wonderful Life (George Bailey), and In the Heights (ensemble). Break legs cast!

Adriana Rodolfo (Ensemble)

Adriana Rodolfo dreamed a dream of life upon the wicked stage in Columbus, OH years ago. But after the birth of her first child, everything was my baby and me. Now that her children are a little bit older, she thinks maybe this time she'll find her corner of the sky.

Rhiannon Stevens (Ensemble)

Rhiannon (Rio) is so excited to make her Waterville Playhouse debut! You can find her as a Townsperson, Hidden Folk and in other ensemble-featured roles in the show. Most recently, she was the Fairy Godmother in *Shrek The Musical* at Fremont Community Theatre, which has by far been her favorite role. You may have seen her performing in the orchestra pit and theatre program at Garden City High School from 2015–2018, featuring the clarinet. *Frozen* is especially meaningful to Rhiannon, as the theme of love, loss and learning to move forward through grief deeply resonate with her own journey. She sends love and thanks to everyone near and far who continue to support her and share in the magic of theatre. Rhiannon also sends love to all of her angels in the sky, guiding her toward all of her dreams and reminding her to keep going, because there is always *lux in tenebris* — light in darkness.

Cooper Unverferth (Prince Hans)

Cooper has just turned 17 years old in his senior year of high school at Anthony Wayne, and he truly could not imagine a better way to spend his time this fall. One of the things that Cooper looks forward to most when he begins a show is meeting all of the new people and getting to work with a whole new board of talent. This cast has made him love it even more. He wants to thank every single person in the cast for being so sweet and supportive of him these past few months. Though this is his first time meeting most of the people in the cast, he feels that he has made a very special, permanent place in his heart for these people. Cooper wants to give a very special thanks to Janine Baughman for spending hours over the summer helping him develop his singing into what it has become. She has made a very noticeable difference in his singing throughout all of the shows he has done. Playing Prince Hans in *Frozen*, while also in the ensemble for the *Croswell's Frozen*, and student directing *Shrek Jr.*, has made the fall season of his senior year to be the best few months of high school yet. Waterville's *Frozen* has easily become one of his favorite shows he's done alongside playing Wayne in "Puffs," Jack Kelly in "Newsies," Ryan in "High School Musical," and Dmitry in

"Anastasia." He wants to send one more special "thank you" to everyone that has helped him to become where he is, performing in his 14th show! He can't wait to see what is next for his journey on the stage.