

The Maple Shade Arts Council
Summer Theatre



PERFORMANCES: August 6 @ 7:30PM
August 7 @ 7:30PM August 8 @ 1:00PM and 3:00PM

Visit www.msartscouncil.org/order-tickets/ to purchase tickets!

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THE MAPLE SHADE ARTS COUNCIL

PROUDLY PRESENTS



The
Addams
Family
A NEW MUSICAL
COMEDY

July 10, 11, 16, 17, 18 @ 7:30PM

July 12 @ 2:00PM

Maple Shade High School
Auditorium

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Maple Shade Arts Council is a non-profit organization comprised of educators, parents, and community members whose objective is to provide artistic programs and events that will be entertaining, educational, and inspirational for the community. The Arts Council's programming emphasizes theatrical productions and workshops, yet also includes programming for the fine and performing arts.

Maple Shade Arts Council Executive Board 2015

President	Michael Melvin
Vice President	Jillian Starr-Renbjor
Secretary	AnnMarie Underwood
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****ALL CONCESSIONS WILL BE SOLD PRIOR TO THE SHOW BETWEEN 6:45PM-7:25PM—THERE WILL ONLY BE A BRIEF 10-15 MINUTE BREAK AT INTERMISSION.***

*****DUE TO HIGH SCHOOL STIPULATION, ALL PATRONS MUST BE OUT OF THE BUILDING BY 10PM. PLEASE PROCEED OUTSIDE OF THE BUILDING AFTER THE SHOW TO MEET THE CAST AND CREW.***

******PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE STROBE EFFECTS THROUGHOUT THE SHOW.***

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The Addams Family
PRODUCTION STAFF

Director.....Michael Melvin
 Assistant Director.....Jillian Starr-Renbjor
 Musical Director.....Cameron Stringham
 Choreographer.....Sarah Dugan
 Stage Manager.....Christina Wick
 Crew.....Dave Pallas
 Set Design.....Michael Melvin
 Lighting.....Robert Achorn
 Set Construction.....**Michael Melvin**, Antonino Baldasari,
 Torben Christensen, Edwin Howard, Phyllis Josephson,
 Jacob Long, Ralph Long, Ryan Long, Bernie Olszewski,
 Brian Padla, Dave Pallas, Mark Traino, Nicole Traino
 Props.....**Christina Wick**, Bernie Olszewski, Cheryl Olszewski
 Costumes.....Erica Imperato, Michelle Liberton
 Makeup.....Samantha Errigo, Katie Noga
 Spotlight Operator.....Alex Koehn
 Promotional Videos.....Brian Padla
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 Head Shots.....Wayne Renbjor

The Maple Shade Arts Council

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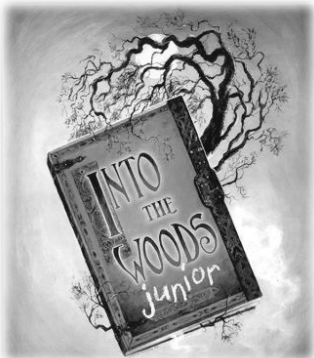
The Addams Family
 A NEW MUSICAL COMEDY

Music and Lyrics by
 ANDREW LIPPA

Book by
 MARSHALL BRICKMAN
 and RICK ELICE

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The Maple Shade Arts Council
Teen-Run Production
Into the Woods Jr. Auditions!



Auditions will be on Sunday, August 9th at 3PM and 7PM and be held at the Maple Shade Municipal Building, 200 Stiles Avenue, Maple Shade, NJ, 08052. Auditions will be for all those ages 12-17. Register online at www.msartscouncil.org.

Based on Characters Created by Charles Addams

Originally produced on Broadway by Stuart Oken, Roy Furman, Michael Leavitt, Five Cent Productions, Stephen Schuler, Decca Theatricals, Scott M. Delman, Stuart Ditsky, Terry Allen Kramer, Stephanie P. McClelland, James L. Nederlander, Eva Price, Jam Theatricals/Mary LuRoffe, Pittsburgh CLO/Gutterman-Swinsky, Vivek Tiwary/Gary Kaplan, The Weinstein Company/Clarence, LLC, Adam Zotovich/Tribe Theatricals
 By Special Arrangement with Elephant Eye Theatrical

Cast of Characters

Gomez Addams.....DJ Hedgepath
 Morticia Addams.....Rachel Comenzo
 Wednesday Addams.....Casey Grouser
 Pugsley Addams.....Jacob Long
 Uncle Fester.....Brian Padla
 Grandma.....Phyllis Josephson
 Lurch.....Antonino Baldasari
 Mal Beineke.....Rich Shockley
 Alice Beineke.....Lori Aleixo Howard
 Lucas Beineke.....Robert Achorn
 Male Ancestors.....,James Gallagher, Matthew Maerten
 Male Ancestor/Cousin Itt.....Nicholas Olszewski
 Female Ancestors.....Amanda Adams, Alex Davis,
 Debbi Heckmann, Nicolette Palombo, Olivia West



Robert Achorn



Amanda Adams



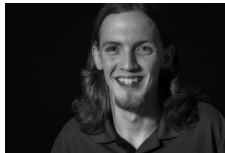
Antonino Baldasari



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Alex Davis



James Gallagher



Casey Grouser



Debbi Heckmann



DJ Hedgepath



Lori A. Howard



Phyllis Josephson



Jacob Long



Matt Maerten



Nicholas Olszewski



Brian Padla



Nicolette Palombo



Rich Shockley



Olivia West

ABOUT THE DIRECTORS

Michael Melvin (Director) is excited to be directing his second musical for the Maple Shade Arts Council. Michael was last seen on stage in *Bonnie and Clyde* (Preacher) and last directed *Urinetown the Musical*. Michael graduated from Montclair State University in 2011 with a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics and will be going back for his Master's degree in Educational Leadership this Fall. He currently teaches 8th grade Math and Science at Ridgway Middle School in Edgewater Park, NJ. Michael would like to thank the team for all of their hard work and friendship and thank the cast and crew for doing a phenomenal job. Much love to his amazing girlfriend and percussion player, Nicole!

Jillian Starr-Renbjor (Assistant Director) is thrilled to be working once again with MSAC. She has previously been in *Seussical* and *Urinetown* and has worked with the MSAC summer camp the past two summers and will be returning this year with *Shrek*. She recently directed *Bonnie and Clyde the Musical* at BCF. Favorite onstage roles include Jeanne in *Trailer Park*, Rona in *Spelling Bee*, Christmas Eve in *Avenue Q*, Sheila in *The Boys Next Door*, and Sarah Jane Moore in *Assassins*. In real life Jill is a stay at home mom/wife to girls Makenna and Emme and wife to Wayne. She is the artistic director at Burlington County Footlighters and runs their children's show every March. Thank you to Mike for asking her to be a part of this production and break a leg to cast and crew!

Cameron Stringham (Music Director) is thrilled to return to the Maple Shade Arts Council after music directing *Urinetown* in 2014. By day, Cameron is a choir, theory, and piano teacher at the Girard Academic Music Program (GAMP), a music magnet school in the Philadelphia School District. On nights and weekends, he is an organist at St. Charles Borromeo and Resurrection parishes, and also is a music director and accompanist for many schools, soloists, and community theaters throughout the South Jersey area, with most recent credits including Holy Cross Academy and Burlington County Footlighters. <https://cameronstringham.webs.com>

Sarah Dugan (Choreographer) returns for her fourth production with MSAC. Favorite past credits include *Hairspray* (Chestnut Hill College, Choreographer), *The Secret Garden* (BCF, Director), *The Great American Trailer Park Musical* (BCF, Choreographer), *Oliver* (Moorestown Rec, Director) and *Urinetown* (MSAC, Choreographer). When she is not directing and choreographing, you may find Sarah working in Human Resources at the Kimmel Center and the Arden Theatre Company's box office. Thanks to the production staff, crew, and cast for another memorable show. A big shout out to Mike Melvin, and Dee and Chuck Dugan for providing transportation to this car-less city-dweller to and from rehearsals!

Chrissy Wick (Stage Manager) is thrilled to be back after stage managing *Urinetown* with MSAC last summer. She recently served in the same capacity for *Bonnie & Clyde* at BCF. She has spent time on stage appearing in various shows with Village Playbox, Sketch Club Players, and Spotliters. In addition, she co-directs the drama club at Ridgway Middle School. Chrissy would like to express her thanks to Mike, Jill, Cameron, and Sarah for the opportunity to help bring this show to life. She would also like to thank her creepy and kooky family and friends for their support.

ABOUT THE CAST

Matt Maerten (Ancestor) has previously appeared on stage as Sheriff Schmid (*Bonnie & Clyde*), Officer Barrel (*Urinetown*), General Schmitz (*Seussical*), Linus (*You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*), Mr. Mushnik (*Little Shop of Horrors*), The Cowardly Lion (*The Wizard of Oz*), Thenardier (*Les Miserables*), and Motel (*Fiddler on the Roof*). He is a 2013 graduate from The College of New Jersey with a degree in Communication Studies and currently serves as Treasurer on the executive board of the Maple Shade Arts Council. Matt would like to thank Mike, Jill, Cameron, Sarah and a wonderful cast for this opportunity, along his family and friends for all their support.

Nicholas Olszewski (Cousin Itt / Ancestor) is a 7th grader at Maple Shade High School, who is excited to be in his first adult theater production for the MSAC. Nick's favorite roles include *The Little Mermaid Jr.* (King Triton), *Annie Jr.* (Rooster), and *Once Upon a Mattress* (Sir Harry). Nick would like to thank his parents for encouraging him and Mr. Mike and Ms. Jill for giving him the opportunity to be part of this amazing show.

Brian Padla (Fester) is beyond thrilled to be back with the Maple Shade Arts Council for this wonderful production. Brian was last seen in *Urinetown* (Fipp), *Once on This Island* (Tonton Julian), and *Godspell* (John the Baptist). Brian is also a member of Vox Dominici, a chamber choir in Philadelphia. He would like to thank the wonderful team for taking a chance on him, and for all their work and dedication. Lastly, to his wife Maria and kids Angelina, Brian, Christian, and Dominic, I love ya more than the moon.

Nicolette Palombo (Ancestor) is extremely ecstatic to be performing for the second time at Maple Shade Arts Council! Some of her most recent roles are *Bonnie and Clyde* (Ensemble), *Grease* (Betty Rizzo), and *Shrek the Musical* (Fiona). She recently participated in Rutgers High School Musical Theater Academy and got a full year scholarship for the upcoming year. She would like to thank her vocal coach Julie Zarukin and Alistair Williams for their amazing teachings and support. Most importantly she would like to thank her friends, family, and God for their love and guidance. Break-a-Leg to the whole cast of The Addams Family!

Richard Shockley (Mal) is pumped to be working with The Maple Shade Arts Council and he couldn't be more excited to play Mal. He has been seen in *Forever Plaid* (Smudge), *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Caiaphas), *Evil Dead: The Musical* (Scotty), *The Producers* (Lead Tenor), and many other shows across the South Jersey area. He wishes the cast and crew the very best of shows. Rich would like to thank his friends and family for their support, especially his wife Jess. To Jess, "Error 404: Heart-felt message not found."

Olivia West (Ancestor) is thrilled to be back and working with the MS Arts Council again. She was last seen with MS Arts as Gertrude/Bird Girl in *Seussical the Musical*. Olivia was most recently seen in MHS production of *Spamalot* (Mayor/Featured Dancer). Her favorite roles include Hero in *Much Ado about Nothing*, Lady Larkin in *Once Upon a Mattress*, and Pilar in *Legally Blonde*. She would like to thank Mike, Jill, Sarah, Cameron, and Chrissy for this opportunity and wishes the cast the best of luck and "Break a Leg"!

THE ADDAMS FAMILY

Musical Numbers

Act I

"Overture" – Orchestra
"When You're an Addams" – Company
"Fester's Manifesto" – Fester
"Wednesday's Growing Up" – Gomez
"Trapped" – Gomez
"Pulled" – Wednesday, Pugsley
"One Normal Night" – Company
"But Love (Reprise 1)" – Fester, Ancestors
"But Love (Reprise 2)" – Fester, Ancestors
"Secrets" – Morticia, Alice, Female Ancestors
"Gomez's 'What If?'" – Gomez
"What If?" – Pugsley
"Full Disclosure" – Company
"Waiting" – Alice
"Full Disclosure (Part 2)" – Company

Intermission

Act II

"Entr'acte" – Orchestra
"Just Around the Corner" – Morticia, Ancestors
"The Moon and Me" – Fester, Female Ancestors
"Happy/Sad" – Gomez
"Crazier Than You" – Wednesday, Lucas, Mal, Alice
"Not Today" – Gomez
"Live Before We Die" – Gomez, Morticia
"Tango de Amor" – Morticia, Gomez, Ancestors
"Move Toward the Darkness" – Company

ADDAMS FAMILY ORCHESTRA

Keyboard 1.....Cameron Stringham
Reed 1.....Matthew Ackiewicz
Reed 2.....Mark Urmson
Trumpet.....Carmelo Villegas
Guitar.....George Malpass
Bass.....Tom Littwin
Trombone.....Eric Landrieu
Violin.....Karen Kessler
Drums.....Harran Williams
Percussion.....Nicole Traino

ABOUT THE CAST

Robert Achorn (Lucas) is excited to work again with an amazing group of people. This will be his second summer with the Maple Shade Theater Arts Council and he is glad he came back. His past roles consist of Jack and The Baker in *Into the Woods* and Mr. McQueen/Ensemble in *Urinetown*. He recently directed the musical *Urinetown* and production managed *Noises Off* at the University of Delaware this past year. He wants to thank Mike and Jill for giving him another opportunity to work with this group of talented actors and his family for always being supportive of him during shows. Enjoy!

Amanda Adams (Ancestor) - is excited to be performing in her 16 show! Favorite shows include *The Sound of Music* (Marta), *Shrek* (Dragon), *Legally Blonde* (Ensemble), *The Little Mermaid* (Ursula), and *Mary Poppins* (Winifred Banks). She also enjoys playing tennis, lacrosse, and soccer. She wishes for the cast and crew to "Break a leg!"

Antonino Baldasari (Lurch) is very pleased to be playing the part of Lurch and would like to thank the cast and crew for a wonderful production. Recent credits include Dr. Carassco in HP&P's *Man of La Mancha* and Bill Sykes in OBSP's *Oliver!* You rang?

Rachel Comenzo (Morticia) is delighted to be returning to MSAC with such a fun, talented cast and crew!! Previous credits include: Bonnie Parker (*Bonnie & Clyde*), Belle (*Beauty & the Beast*), Elle Woods (*Legally Blonde*), & Mayzie (*Seussical*). Rachel would like to thank Mike, Jill, Cameron, and the rest of the production team for this amazing opportunity! Thanks to Chris for your love and support. Rachel would like to dedicate her performance to Caila, Ellie, and Jake.

Alex Davis (Ancestor) is very excited to join the Addams Family team. She was last seen as Eleanore in Burlington County Footlighter's production of *Bonnie and Clyde*. Thanks to Mike for bringing her onboard and the rest of the cast and team for all of their hard work.

James Gallagher (Ancestor) is excited to be in another production with the MSAC and the lovely cast and crew. James was last seen on stage as Ralph Herdman in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. Other favorite roles include *Urinetown* (Old Man Strong/Hot Blades Harry), *The Crucible* (John Proctor), and *Anything Goes* (Sir Evelyn Oakleigh). James has appeared in a total of 15 shows throughout his entire acting career. Break a leg cast and crew because tonight is going to be a wild night!

Casey Grouser (Wednesday) is excited to be pulled in a new direction in her first show with Maple Shade Arts Council! Her most recent credit was Stella in Burlington County Footlighters production of *Bonnie and Clyde*. She takes the stage encouraging her kindergarten students to chase their dreams and never give up. Casey would like to thank Mike, Jill, and the production team for giving her this amazing opportunity! Thanks to her mom and dad for their unconditional love, her family and friends for their constant support, and Tommy for believing in her and pushing her to chase my dreams. Last, but certainly not least, to the cast of The Addams Family, thank you from the bottom of my heart!

ABOUT THE CAST

Debbi Heckmann (Ancestor) is excited to be performing again with the MSAC. Some previous roles include *Bonnie & Clyde the Musical* (Ensemble) at BCF and *Urinetown the Musical*, (Josephine "Ma" Strong) with the MSAC. She is proud to be working with such a talented cast and crew. Thanks to Mike, Jill, Sarah, Cameron & Chrissy for all you do! Thanks also to Mom, Dad, Frank, Jenna & Ryan for always supporting and believing in her. Love to you all! Bah dah dah dah *snap snap*

DJ Hedgepath (Gomez) is stoked to be making his Maple Shape Arts Council debut with this amazing cast. DJ was last seen on stage as Ted in *Bonnie and Clyde*. Other roles include *25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Chip), *Man of La Mancha* (Sancho), *Urinetown* (Senator Fipp) and *Titanic* (Barrett). A big thanks to Mike for casting me in this awesome show. And an even bigger thanks for the love and support from family and friends. MAAZING!

Lori Aleixo Howard (Alice) is thrilled to be back performing onstage after a long hiatus. Favorite past shows include *Into the Woods* (The Witch), *Little Shop of Horrors* (Audrey) and *Taming of the Shrew* (Katerina). For the past seven years, she's had the privilege of being the co-director of the plays and musicals at Maple Shade High School, where she was always inspired by the amazing students and teachers. Prior to that, she worked at Walnut Street Theatre as the Assistant Director of Development and a member of the Theatre School faculty. She wishes to thank the MSAC for this great experience. To Edwin, Landon and Juliet: You are my lucky stars! I love you to the moon and back!!!

Phyllis Josephson (Grandma) is thrilled to be making her debut with MSAC, although she has appeared on NJ community stages for more years than she cares to admit in both musicals and dramas. Most recently she played the title role in *Kimberly Akimbo* at Burlington County Footlighters 2nd Stage. Other favorite roles include *Cabaret* (Fraulein Schneider), *Steel Magnolias* (Clairee), *The Gin Game* (Fonsia), *The Foreigner* (Betty Meeks), *Arsenic and Old Lace* (Abby Brewster), *Blithe Spirit* (Madame Arcati), *Pippin* (Berthe) and *The Little Foxes* (Birdie Hubbard). She enjoys reading, travel, crocheting, "Chopped", doing the New York Times crossword puzzle in ink, "Jeopardy!", and attempting to beat her husband in Scrabble. Much gratitude to Michael, Jillian, Cameron, Sarah and Chrissy for this marvelous opportunity!

Jacob Long (Pugsley) is excited to a part of his first production with the Maple Shade Arts Council! Recent performances include *Scrooge* (Peter Cratchit), *Gypsy* (Newsboy), *Aladdin Jr.* (Ensemble), *Little Mermaid Jr.* (Prince Eric), and *Shrek Jr.* (Pinocchi). Jacob is in the 6th grade and part of his school choir. In addition to acting and singing, Jacob enjoys soccer, swimming and archery. Jacob would like to send special thanks to the amazing cast and crew of this production, Miss Kim and his family and friends for their support!