

The Rude Mechanicals of The American University Presents:

RUDES IN REVUE

A Cabaret Excavation of our Patches' Past Productions

Created by Abigail Chase

In honor of 20 Years with the Rude Mechanicals, enjoy a blast from the past with all of the cast & crew.

DIRECTORS



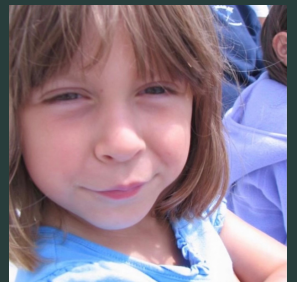
Elliot Pinch (*Midsummer*) is a Junior at AU and is very excited to be directing for the first time! They directed Act 1 Scene 2 of A Midsummer Night's Dream. They have previously been involved in Hamlet and Romeo and Juliet through the Rude Mechanicals.



Wow, what to say about **Maddy Cooper** (*Macbeth, R & G*)? From a young age, Maddy has been drawn to the art of frolicking and, to a significantly lesser degree, acting. Her favorite roles she's played include Ophelia in Hamlet and Eurydice in Eurydice. She is a DPA major (loser lol). As the managing director of the troupe, she's the reason you (yes, you!) are reading this in 112. (Siecke, 2023)



India Siecke (*Polaroid Stories*) is letting it linger



Morgan Kullen (*Hamlet, Much Ado*) is a sophomore Theater Arts major who is so excited to see the scenes they directed be put onstage! They're the troupe's Financial Director, and currently in Daughters of Leda through the AU DPA. Their past experience includes Hamlet and Romeo and Juliet (Rude Mechanicals).



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Anshu Pokuru (*Twelfth Night, Earnest*) is a freshmen CLEG major who is very excited to be participating in her first RUDES variety show as a director. Please enjoy the show!!



Eva Helfter (*God of Carnage, AYLI*) is super excited to be making her directorial debut for the variety show! She is a junior Political Science major, and you may have seen her onstage or behind the scenes in a number of Rudes productions. In her free time, she enjoys going to Trader Joe's, crying to Taylor Swift, and spamming her family group chat. Thank you for coming to the show, I hope you can see my actors' lovely faces at least once!



Emily Shapcott (*Lady Macbeth, dir. Pride & Prejudice, Tempest*) is a sophomore literature major who is a Shakespeare enthusiast. This is her very first Rudes show! Her past theatre experience includes Juliet in Romeo & Juliet and The Spirit of Christmas Past in a Christmas Carol.



Abigail Chase (*A Doll's House*) (she/her) is so excited to be Artistic Director of Rudes in our 2023-2024 season. It has been an absolute pleasure working with every single member of this production and I am so proud of your incredible work. A special thank you to PJ and Liv, two actors who I am immensely proud of for bringing Ibsen's iconic text to life.



Emma Burton (*Executive Director*) is a senior in her ???th show with Rudes. She hopes you enjoy the show and send all of your worldly possessions to the cast and crew as a thank you to them for continuing the time honored tradition of student theatre at AU.



ACTORS



Eliza Baquet (*Snug, Gravedigger*) is a sophomore who is excited to be participating in her first Rude Mechanicals production! Her past theater experience includes Overture 2022 and A Christmas Twist. A fun fact about Eliza is that she has traveled to over 10 countries.



Kaplan Evans (*Stout*) is a freshman SIS major participating in her first variety show! She just got here, so she doesn't do a lot of other extracurriculars yet, but she's excited to branch out with her first real Shakespeare part! Her past theater experience includes several high school productions.



Kaymen Noel Story (*Starveling*) is a sophomore majoring in International Studies. This is her first performance with the Rude Mechanicals, and she is so excited to be part of the show. In her free time, Kaymen enjoys reading, Macbeth is her favorite work of literature; studying history and law; and completing various different art projects. Most importantly, she has an adorable dog named Ronny!



Finn Fairfield (*Flute, Benedick*) (they/them) is excited to be in their third Rudes production! They are the troupe PR Director, which means they run around with a little camera and pretend to know what they're doing!

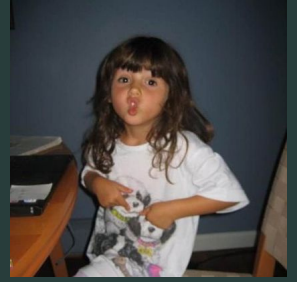


Gabriela Cohen (*Quince, Celia*) is a freshman elementary education major and is so excited to be a part of her first Rude Mechanicals show! Recent roles prior to starting at AU include Cassius in Julius Caesar and Karen in The Spongebob Musical.





Chelsea Perry (*Bottom, Beatrice*) is a junior journalism major who is excited to make her performing debut at AU with the Rude Mechanicals! Over the past summer, she was in a professional production of *Rent* directed by Adam Pascal. She is signed with Stewart Talent Agency, and was also featured in an episode of HBO Max's *Gossip Girl*!



Anna Jamison (*Macbeth, Viola*) is a freshman Justice and Law major who is thrilled to be a part of her first Ride Mechanicals show! Her past experience includes *Macbeth* (Grunin Performing Arts Academy) and *Romeo and Juliet* (Grunin Performing Arts Academy)



Madeleine Bartin (*Mr. Darcy, Guildenstern*) is a senior with no acting experience who is excited to be a part of the Rude Mechanicals variety show!

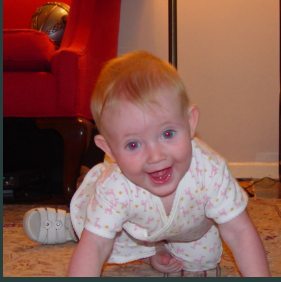


Sophie Fraser (*Eurydice, Malvolio*) is a Freshman at AU and is excited to be in here first show with the Rudes! She's been involved in Shakespearean theater for many years including roles such as Ophelia in *Hamlet* and Helena in *A Midsummer Nights Dream*.



Leah Bordatto (*Persephone, Annette*) is sophomore Film & Media Arts major who is super excited to be able to participate in this year's variety show! Past Rude Mechanicals experience includes *Romeo and Juliet* (Sampson), and past experience with classical theater includes *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Philostrate/Moth), William Shakespeare's *Haunted House* (Lady Macbeth), and an original show in the style of *Commedia Dell'Arte* (Columbina)





Rin Carroll (*Jack*) is a sophomore Computer Science major who has done every Rudes show she can get her hands on! Rin was previously Horatio in Hamlet and Benvolio in Romeo & Juliet.



Charlie Landsbaum (*Algernon*) is a Freshman Asia, Pacific and Diaspora Studies Major who is so excited to be participating in their first Rudes variety show! Charlie participated in number of shows in high school which are Annie, Midsummer's Night Dream, and Wizard of Oz.



Summer O'Sullivan (*Hamlet, Rosalind*) is freshman chemistry major and she is excited to be in her first Rude Mechanicals show.



PJ Donovan (*Torvald, Horatio*) is a freshman studying Political Science. She has had so much fun working on her very first Variety Show for Rudes! Some of her other favorite roles include Abigail Williams in The Crucible and the Narrator in Puffs.



Olivia Morrison (*Nora, Prospero*) is a freshman Film and Media Arts Major who can't wait to perform in her first Rudes show! She is also interested in double majoring in Theatre. She was most recently Miss Scarlett in Clue and the Narrator in Into the Woods back home in New Jersey!



PRODUCTION TEAM



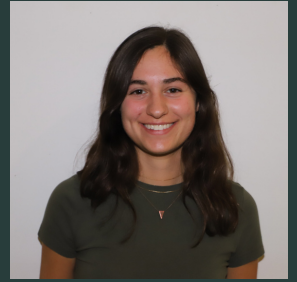
Stage Manager

Amelia Traylor is a senior Literature and Psychology double major who is beyond excited to be working on the Rudes' 2023 Variety Show! This is her first production with the Rudes, and she is very grateful for the opportunity to get back into stage management. She would like to thank everyone for their hard work on the show and is excited for future endeavors with the Rude Mechanicals!



Assistant Stage Manager

Willow Gaven



Lighting Designer

Aaron Miller



Sound Designer

Maggie Troast did nothing for this show but hopes you enjoy the tunes!



Costume Designer

Gabrielle Bertrand is a senior CLEG major who is looking forward to this amazing performance. This is her first time working on a Rude Mechanicals Show, and she is super excited to help bring this show to life as the Costume Designer. She is also a member of the AU Quills & Capes student-theater group and the AU in Motion dance club. Her past experiences include acting in "Talking Heads" as part of the Work It! AU New Play Workshop and costume designing for Cushing Academy (2019/2020). She hopes you too enjoy the show!





Props Master

Meredith Meyer is a junior Elementary Education major. This is her third show with Rude Mechanicals. Prior to this, she was assistant props for Romeo and Juliet, and Master Carpenter for Hamlet. She wants to thank all of the wonderful directors, actors, and crew for making such a wonderful show!



Technical Director

Nathan DiPinto is a senior SIS major who is very excited to be involved in his 5th Rudes show! He's the troupe Technical Director, and has been involved in two variety shows, Ghosts, Eurydice, and Hamlet with the Rudes!



A Special Thanks to Zoe Tompkins for her help in the production.

