

**THE ROCHESTER ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL  
STUDENTS PROUDLY PRESENTS:**



**The Musical**

**BOOK BY THOMAS MEEHAN AND BOB MARTIN**

**MUSIC BY MATTHEW SKLAR**

**LYRICS BY CHAD BEGUELIN**

**BASED UPON THE NEW LINE CINEMA FILM**

**WRITTEN BY DAVID BERENBAUM**

**NOVEMBER 18TH, 19TH, 20TH, AND 21ST**



**Director**

Frank Gollon

**Assistant Director**

Todd Miesch

**Vocal Director:**

Catherine Lykins

**Pit Orchestra Conductor**

David Uhrig

**Costume Mistress**

Eileen Goble

**Choreographer**

Molly Zaleski

**Production Manager**

Sarah Miesch

**Theatre Manager**

Dan Jaffe

**Web Designer**

Karen Carl

The production team would like to thank you for supporting the Rochester Alliance of Theatrical students (RATS), by coming out to see the show. We love what we do, and are blessed to share it with these awesome students and our community. A special thank you to our supportive administrative team here at RHS, and most importantly to our families for their support and sacrifice they make with all the time we spend here in our second home... the theatre. Enjoy the show!

# CAST

<b>Buddy</b>	<b>Adam Rivera</b>
<b>Jovie</b>	<b>Megan Splan</b>
<b>Santa</b>	<b>Laeth Kaakarni</b>
<b>Walter</b>	<b>Skyler Janisewski</b>
<b>Emily</b>	<b>Maren O'Connor</b>
<b>Michael</b>	<b>Liam Clymer</b>
<b>Deb</b>	<b>Crystal Orser</b>
<b>Manager</b>	<b>Nick Snellgrove</b>
<b>Mrs. Greenway</b>	<b>Natalie Nguyen</b>
<b>Chadwick</b>	<b>Ava Brooklier</b>
<b>Matthews</b>	<b>Cameron Wilson</b>
<b>Mrs. Claus</b>	<b>Gracie Walch</b>
<b>Charlie</b>	<b>Angela Fenstermaker</b>
<b>Tiara</b>	<b>Bella Govern</b>
<b>Elf 1</b>	<b>Grace Hill</b>
<b>Elf 2</b>	<b>Rhoda Nepolian</b>
<b>Sam</b>	<b>Tanner Shankin</b>
<b>Sarah</b>	<b>Anna Maria Cucco</b>
<b>Security Guards (2)</b>	<b>Nate Stelzer &amp; Jaimyn Taylor</b>
<b>Saleswoman</b>	<b>Evie Ansari</b>
<b>Santas Helper</b>	<b>Sarah Gruber</b>
<b>Fake Santa (male)</b>	<b>Zach Cremen</b>
<b>Policemen (2)</b>	<b>Rhoda Nepolian &amp; Amelia Bohn</b>
<b>Charlotte</b>	<b>Grace Hill</b>
<b>David Lambert</b>	<b>Nate Stelzer</b>
<b>Emma Van Brock</b>	<b>Amelia Windeler</b>
<b>Boy</b>	<b>Cole Miller</b>
<b>Mother</b>	<b>Sophia Greenslade</b>

**Ensemble: Julian Aprea, Ava Brooklier, Camila Carbajal, Regina Carbajal, Emilia Firaku, Anna Grunewald, Avery Korpalski, Sana Malik, Solana Perkins**

# **“ELF” PIT ORCHESTRA**

**Flute/Piccolo** – Alondra Leyva, Giorgio Orecchia & Pranav Deshmukh

**Oboe/English Horn** – Rebecca Salmonson

**Bassoon** – Breena Keller

**Clarinet** – Hyejin Song & Brooke McPherson

**Clarinet/Bass Clarinet** – Violet Mile

**Alto Saxophone** – Jack Cavellier

**Tenor Saxophone** – Jack Ward

**Baritone Saxophone** – Vaughn Rogers

**Trumpet** – Owen Yoo, Alexis Dill, Fil Starostka, Mike Flickinger,  
Chris Napier & Thomas Corbett

**Trombone** – Caleb Llewellyn, Marissa Moxley, Mabelynn Dill & Tristan  
Hughes

**Drum Set** – Zach Tippin

**Percussion** – Justin Lal

**Violin** – Gabriella da Silva, Grace Kwon & Caitlin Berry

**Cello** – Sam Farmer & Milan Puscas

**Bass** – Gael Alvarez

**Keyboard** – Melissa Harris & Jon Carrothers







**Student Director:** Alison Sousa

**Stage Manager:** Alison Sousa

**Asst. Stage Manager:** John Leonardi



### Sound Crew

\*Grace Varghese  
Joseph Coulter  
Michele Lleshi  
Simon Resh  
Isaac Streetman  
Christian Williamson  
Kaitlyn Williamson  
Silvana Abro

### Lights Crew

\*Aedhan Roscoe  
Miranda Waldron  
Shannon Carr  
Skylar Ernst  
Gabriella Miceli  
Jasmine Orser  
Carter Rupert  
Aurelia Stage  
Julia Salanta

### House Crew

\*Mickey Papajesk  
Lexie Cramer  
Ruby Howe  
Velvia Miller  
Arianna Pfeiffer  
Amber Mazur  
Natalee Kaczor

### Costumes

\*Joey Ziemann  
Alex Gregorio  
Samantha Howell  
Rachel Maag  
Hiya Shah  
Ula Tuskenyte  
Catelina Valentine  
Richa Soni  
Gabriela Zen

### House Crew

\*Mickey Papajesk  
Lexie Cramer  
Ruby Howe  
Velvia Miller  
Arianna Pfeiffer  
Amber Mazur  
Natalee Kaczor

### Make Up Crew


\*Emily Hassett  
Ella Galens  
Gwendolyn Craft  
El Carr

### Props Crew

*Sophia Vecchi	Paige Misner
Isabella Guest	Maiya Herman
Sophia Karteczka	Shade Kendall
Ferris Pearson	Keira VanWagoner
Ashley Walega	Maddy Ward
Takara Wholters	Jo Wright
Jillian Chae	Natalie Mahnke

### Stage Crew

*John Leonardi	**Brennan Cesarz
Rowan Brennan	Molly Collins
Kevin Gray	Jamison Hines
Valentina Pineyres	Diana Syvak
Emilia Firaku	Alex Hanson
Chloe Laferle	Brendan Roscoe



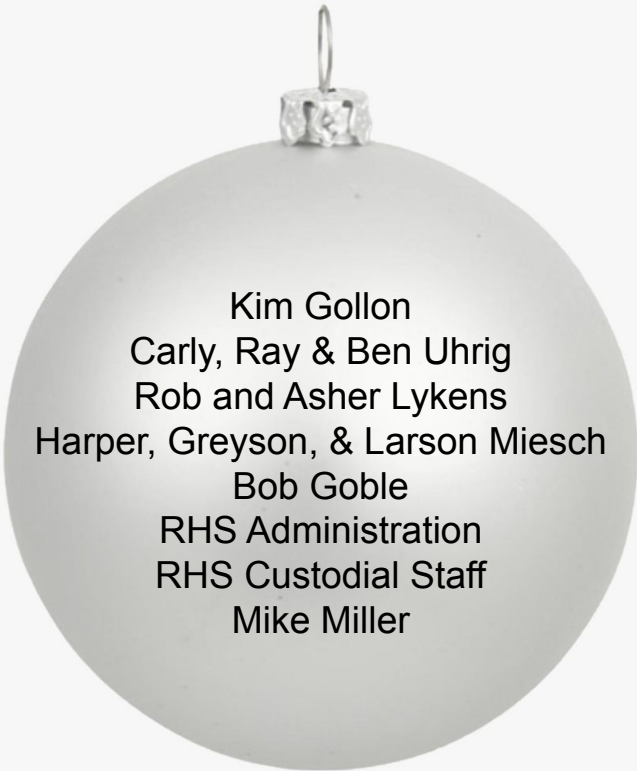
The many Rochester  
Community Families that  
donated Christmas Trees!

RATS parents for providing  
dinner.

All our many patrons for  
making donations through  
showtix!



Stoney Creek Theatre  
Department  
Adams Theatre Department  
Sturgis Theatre Department  
GT Jerseys  
American Speedy Printing  
National Art Honor Society



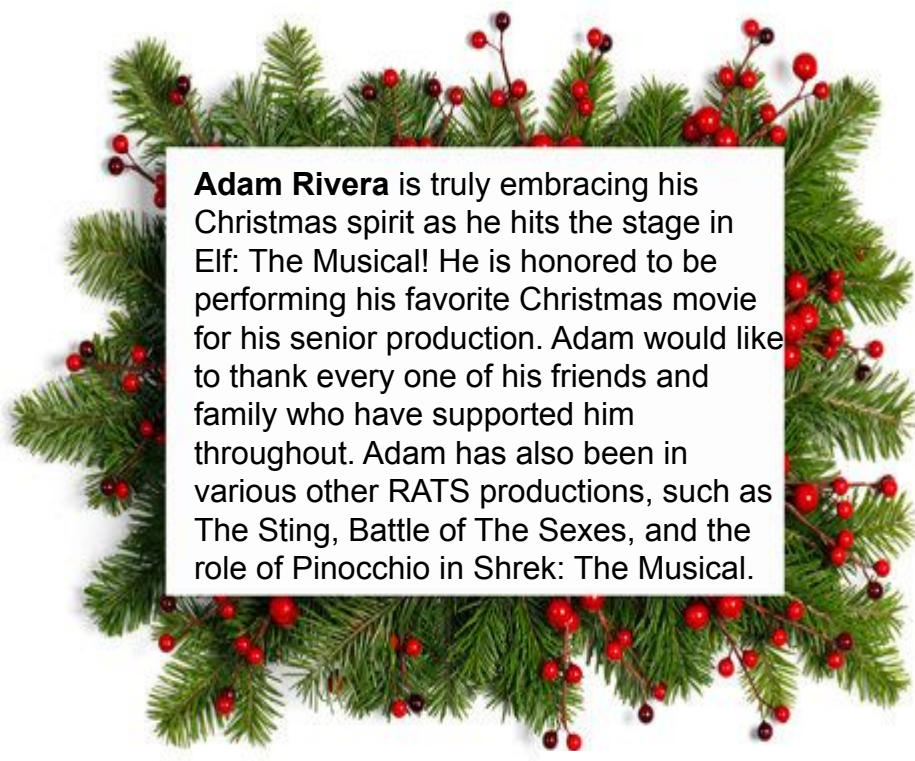
Kim Gollon  
Carly, Ray & Ben Uhrig  
Rob and Asher Lykens  
Harper, Greyson, & Larson Miesch  
Bob Goble  
RHS Administration  
RHS Custodial Staff  
Mike Miller




Raffle Baskets:  
Rustine Janiszewski  
Jani Welch  
Alison Sousa  
Larisa Wagela  
Michelle Miller  
Makiko Orser  
Theresa Fenstermaker  
Amy Rivera  
Lisa Roscoe  
Falcon's Nest

*Thank You*






**Adam Rivera** is truly embracing his Christmas spirit as he hits the stage in Elf: The Musical! He is honored to be performing his favorite Christmas movie for his senior production. Adam would like to thank every one of his friends and family who have supported him throughout. Adam has also been in various other RATS productions, such as The Sting, Battle of The Sexes, and the role of Pinocchio in Shrek: The Musical.



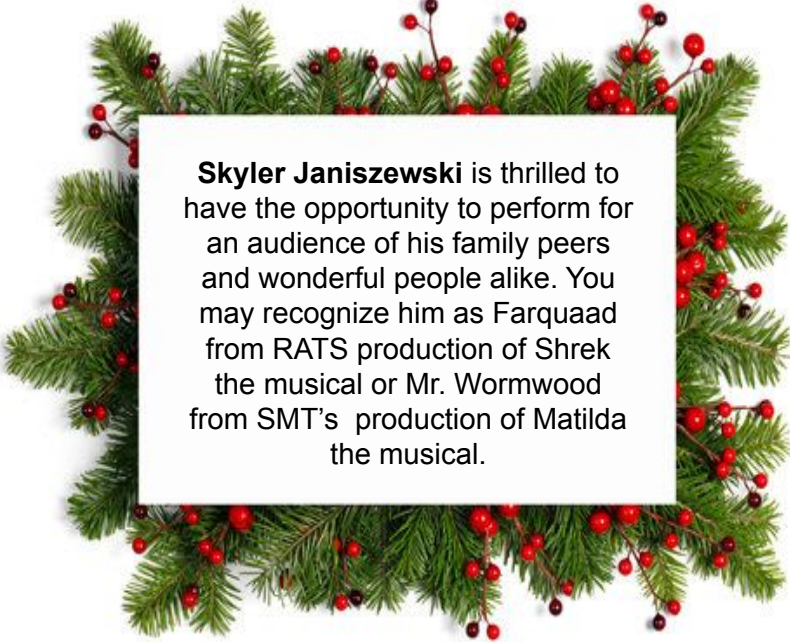
Hard working student, **Megan Splan**, is excited to be a part of this years production Elf The Musical. Although this is Megan's first year in theater, she has been apart of the Michigan Ballet Theater and multiple dance competition teams for the past 13 years. She plans on attending Grand Valley State University come fall 2022 and is still figuring out what she wants to major in. In her free time she enjoys going for car rides with her friends, listening to music on her record player, and going to theater rehearsal with her friends.



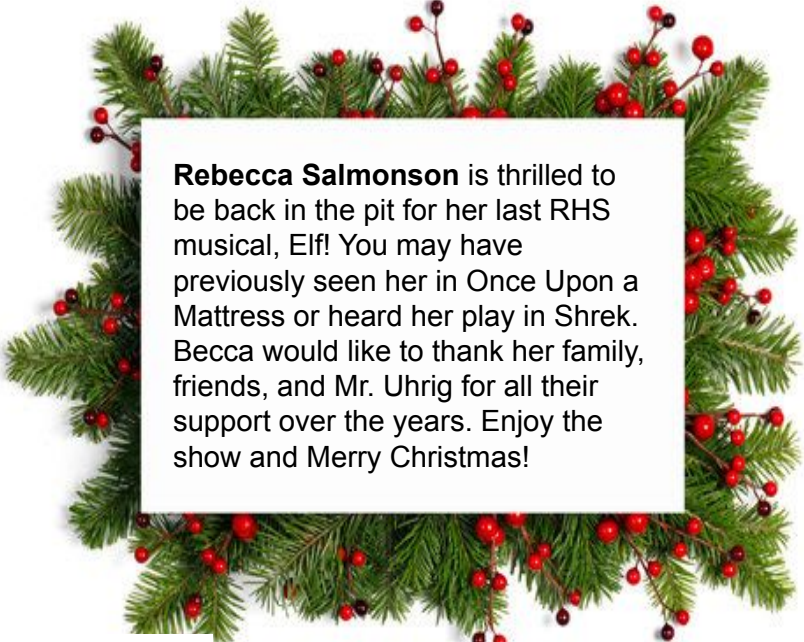
**Laeth Kaakarni** is excited to be a part of RATS production of Elf: The Musical. He is very grateful to be able to participate in cast for the first time after doing crew for past productions. Laeth would like to thank his friends and family for continuously supporting him and he's excited to continue participating in 2021-22 RATS theater!



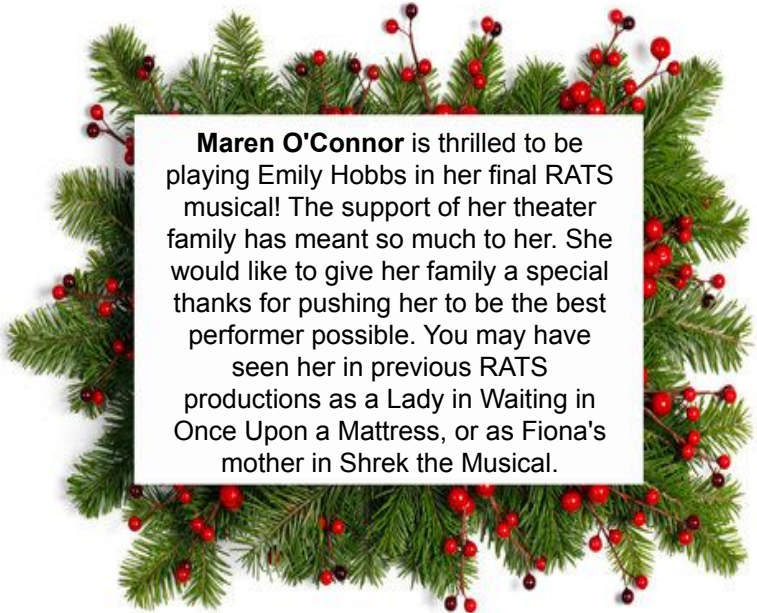




**Skyler Janiszewski** is thrilled to have the opportunity to perform for an audience of his family peers and wonderful people alike. You may recognize him as Farquaad from RATS production of Shrek the musical or Mr. Wormwood from SMT's production of Matilda the musical.



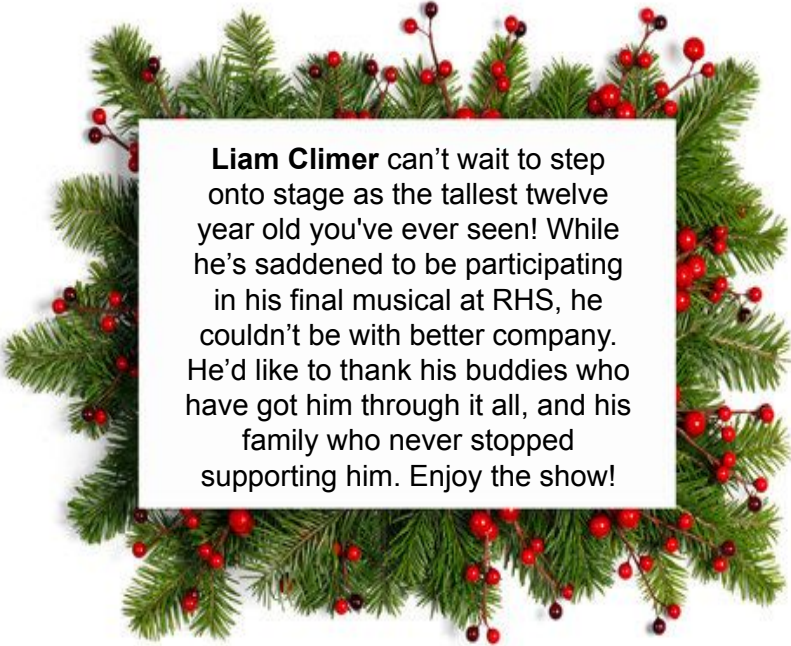
**Rebecca Salmonson** is thrilled to be back in the pit for her last RHS musical, Elf! You may have previously seen her in Once Upon a Mattress or heard her play in Shrek. Becca would like to thank her family, friends, and Mr. Uhrig for all their support over the years. Enjoy the show and Merry Christmas!




**Maren O'Connor** is thrilled to be playing Emily Hobbs in her final RATS musical! The support of her theater family has meant so much to her. She would like to give her family a special thanks for pushing her to be the best performer possible. You may have seen her in previous RATS productions as a Lady in Waiting in Once Upon a Mattress, or as Fiona's mother in Shrek the Musical.



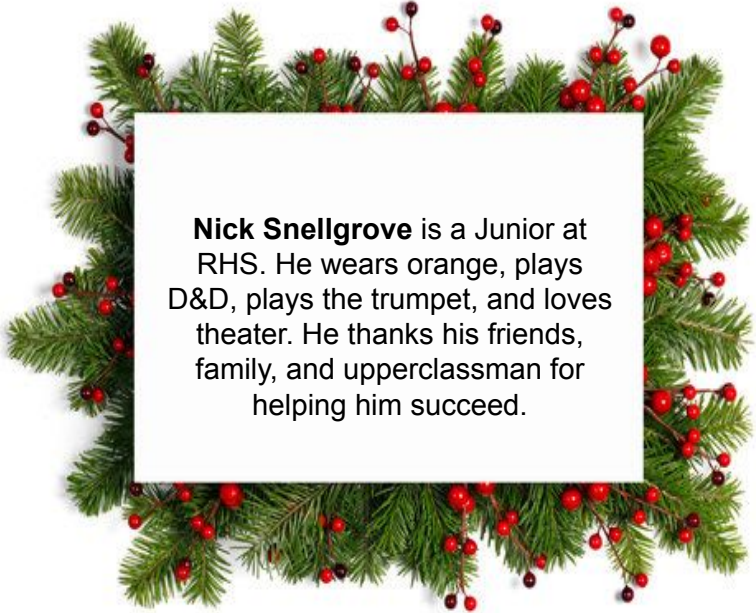




**Liam Climer** can't wait to step onto stage as the tallest twelve year old you've ever seen! While he's saddened to be participating in his final musical at RHS, he couldn't be with better company. He'd like to thank his buddies who have got him through it all, and his family who never stopped supporting him. Enjoy the show!



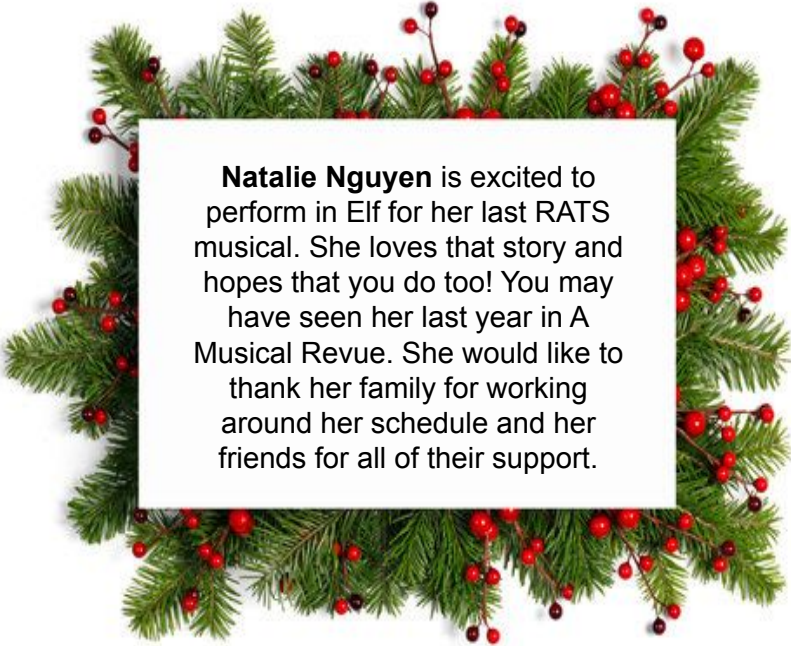
**Crystal Orser** is SO thrilled to be a part of Rochester's production of Elf this year! They would like to thank all who are involved in the show and all the parents who have helped out along the way. Without their hard work, this show wouldn't be possible. You may have seen Crystal in past productions of RATS, SMT, and ATWAS. Enjoy the show and stay sparklejollytwinklejingle! :)




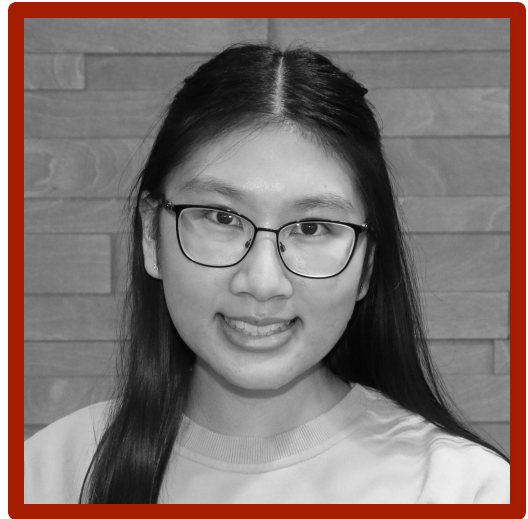
**Nick Snellgrove** is a Junior at RHS. He wears orange, plays D&D, plays the trumpet, and loves theater. He thanks his friends, family, and upperclassman for helping him succeed.



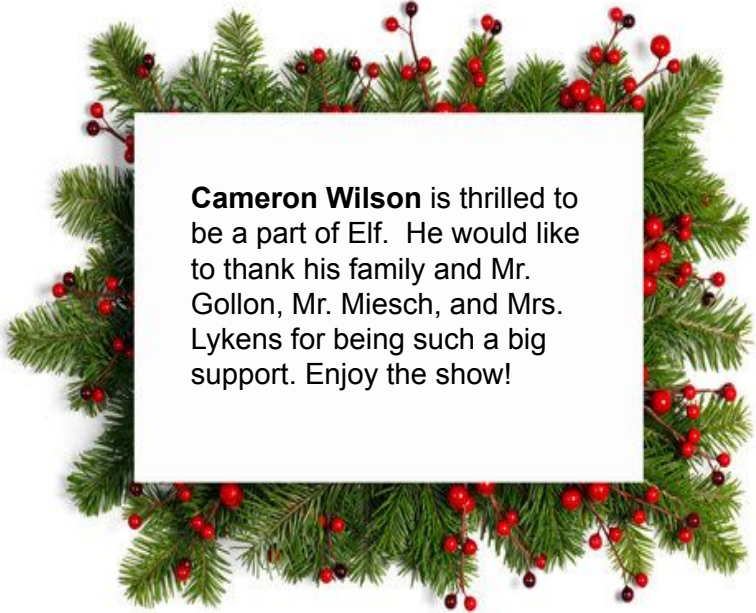




**Natalie Nguyen** is excited to perform in Elf for her last RATS musical. She loves that story and hopes that you do too! You may have seen her last year in A Musical Revue. She would like to thank her family for working around her schedule and her friends for all of their support.




**Ava Brooklier** is thrilled to be involved in her first RATS production! She began acting in second grade and has been involved in many productions, her favorites being The Addams Family and Bye Bye Birdie. She thanks her friends and family for their support!




**Cameron Wilson** is thrilled to be a part of Elf. He would like to thank his family and Mr. Gollon, Mr. Miesch, and Mrs. Lykens for being such a big support. Enjoy the show!



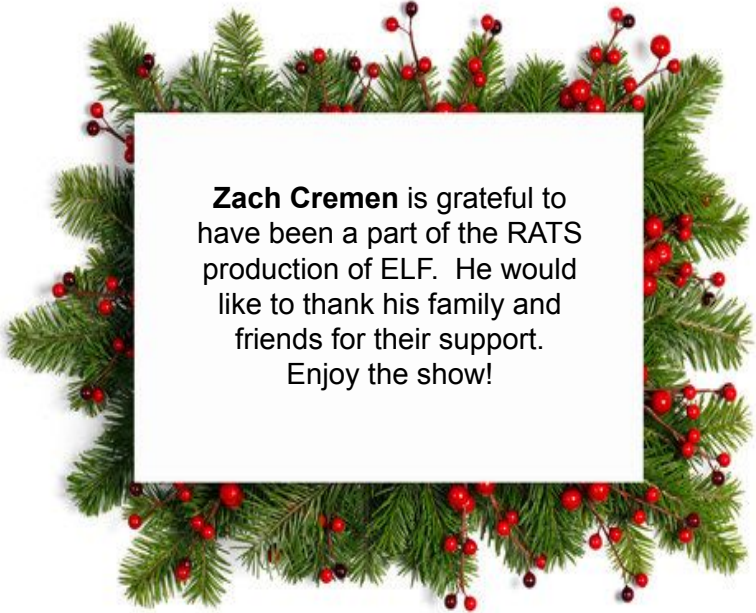




**Gracie Walch**, a freshman, is so excited to play Mrs. Claus in her first production with RATS. She thanks her family and friends for all their support and can't wait for future shows!



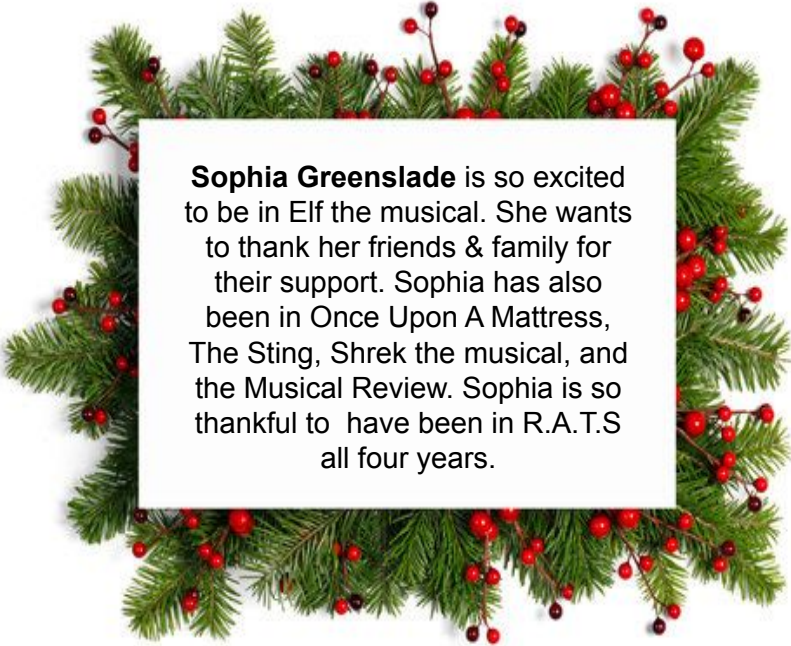
**Angela Fenstermaker** has been in theater since second grade. She's been in Matilda, Shrek, and last years Musical Revue here at RHS. She'd like to thank her family, theater/choir family, and friends.



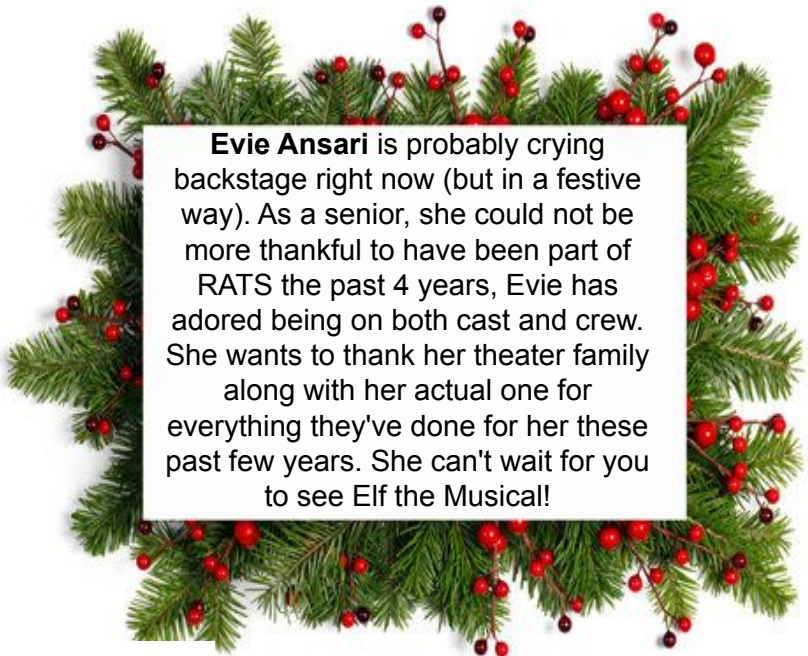
**Zach Cremen** is grateful to have been a part of the RATS production of ELF. He would like to thank his family and friends for their support. Enjoy the show!








**Sophia Greenslade** is so excited to be in Elf the musical. She wants to thank her friends & family for their support. Sophia has also been in Once Upon A Mattress, The Sting, Shrek the musical, and the Musical Review. Sophia is so thankful to have been in R.A.T.S all four years.




**Evie Ansari** is probably crying backstage right now (but in a festive way). As a senior, she could not be more thankful to have been part of RATS the past 4 years, Evie has adored being on both cast and crew. She wants to thank her theater family along with her actual one for everything they've done for her these past few years. She can't wait for you to see Elf the Musical!



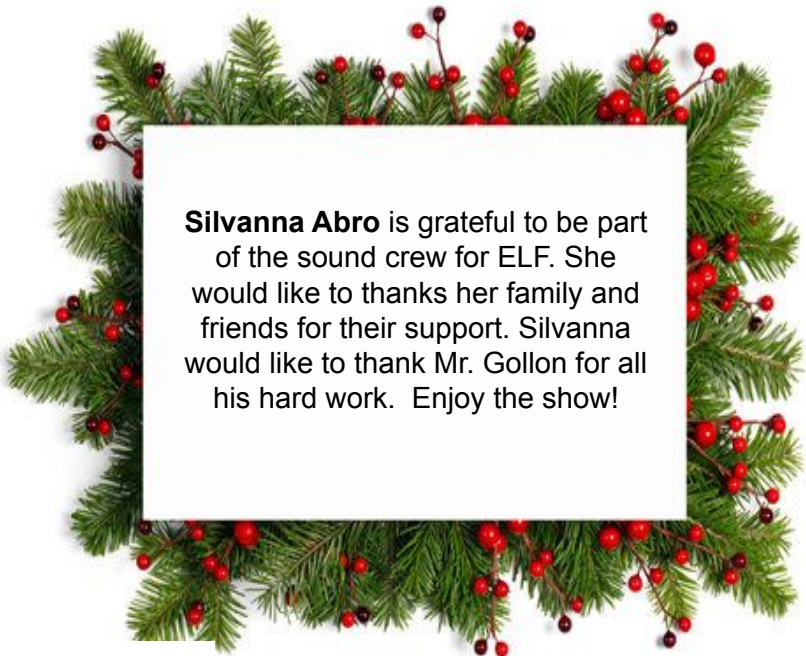
**Sophia Vecchi** would like to thank her supportive family, incredible friends, and dedicated crew for their devotion and assistance in putting this production together. She is proud and honored to be entrusted with the responsibility of creating the props for this unique and exciting musical.








**Grace Varghese** is so excited to lead sound crew in her last musical, Elf! She would specifically like to thank Nate Kurokawa for teaching her all things sound, along with her friends and family for supporting her sound duties!



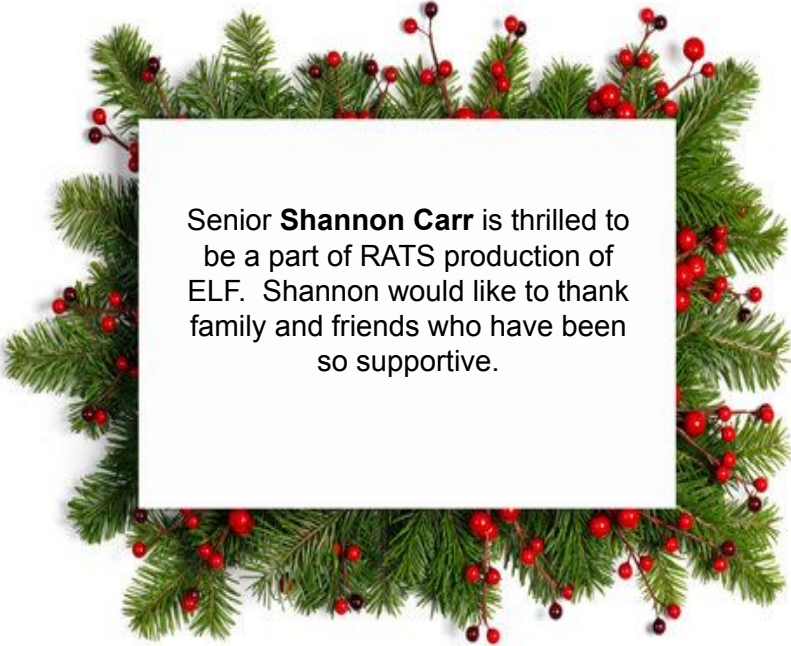
**Silvanna Abro** is grateful to be part of the sound crew for ELF. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support. Silvanna would like to thank Mr. Gollon for all his hard work. Enjoy the show!



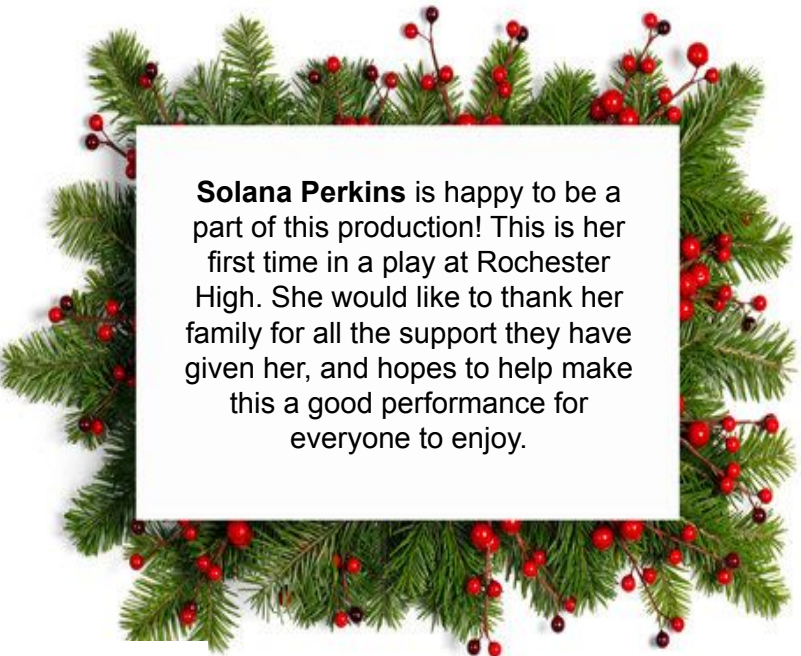
**Michele Lleshi** is pleased as punch to be a part of Elf the Musical this year! She would like to thank her dear friends for making theatre such an enjoyable experience for her and for motivating her to pursue Sound Crew!



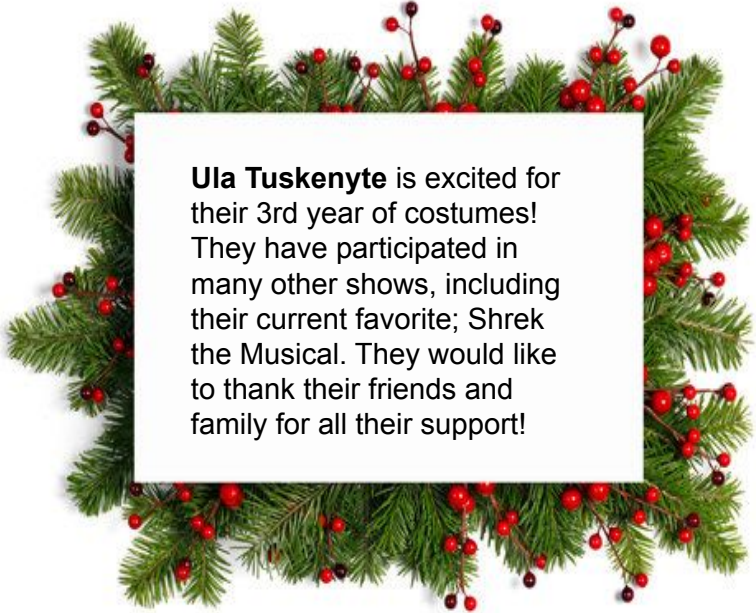




Senior **Shannon Carr** is thrilled to be a part of RATS production of ELF. Shannon would like to thank family and friends who have been so supportive.




**Solana Perkins** is happy to be a part of this production! This is her first time in a play at Rochester High. She would like to thank her family for all the support they have given her, and hopes to help make this a good performance for everyone to enjoy.



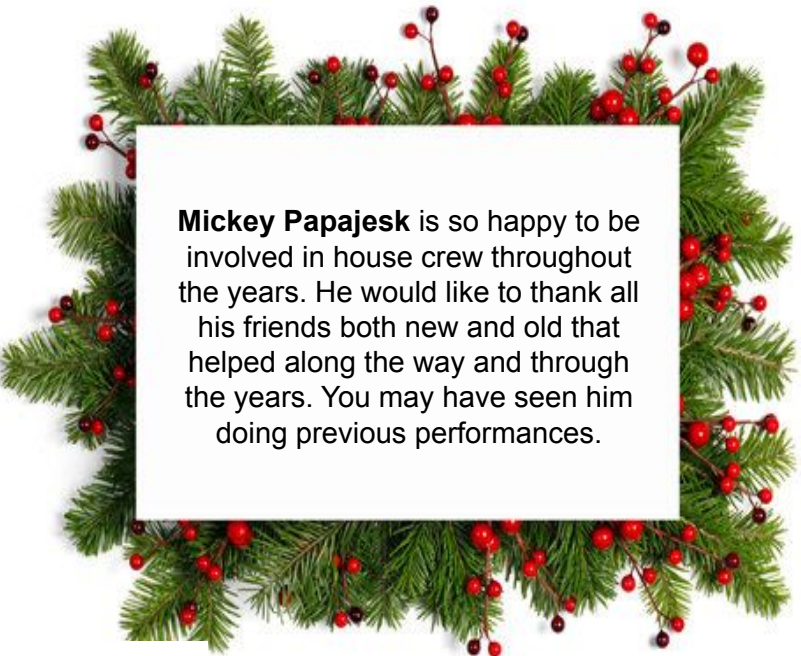
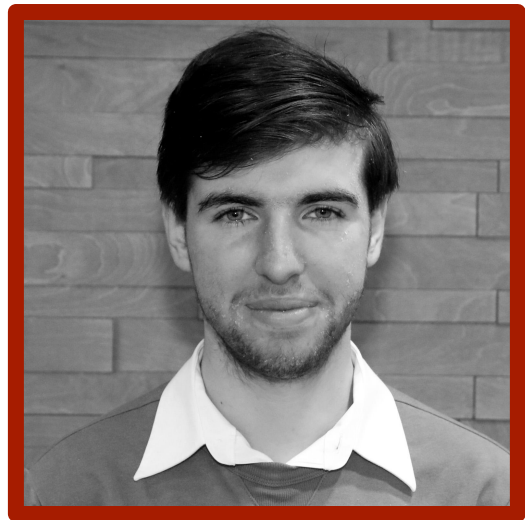
**Ula Tuskenyte** is excited for their 3rd year of costumes! They have participated in many other shows, including their current favorite; Shrek the Musical. They would like to thank their friends and family for all their support!








**Joey Zieman** is so thrilled to be a part of this year's musical \*Elf the Musical\*! He would like to say thank you to friends in the production and his family at home. He has been a part of many productions but hoping for all good things for the current one!



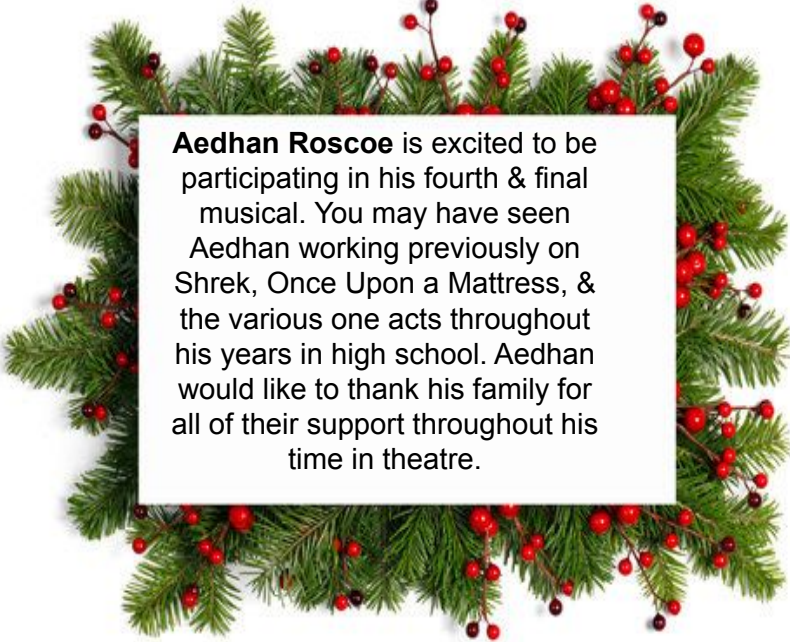
**Mickey Papajesk** is so happy to be involved in house crew throughout the years. He would like to thank all his friends both new and old that helped along the way and through the years. You may have seen him doing previous performances.



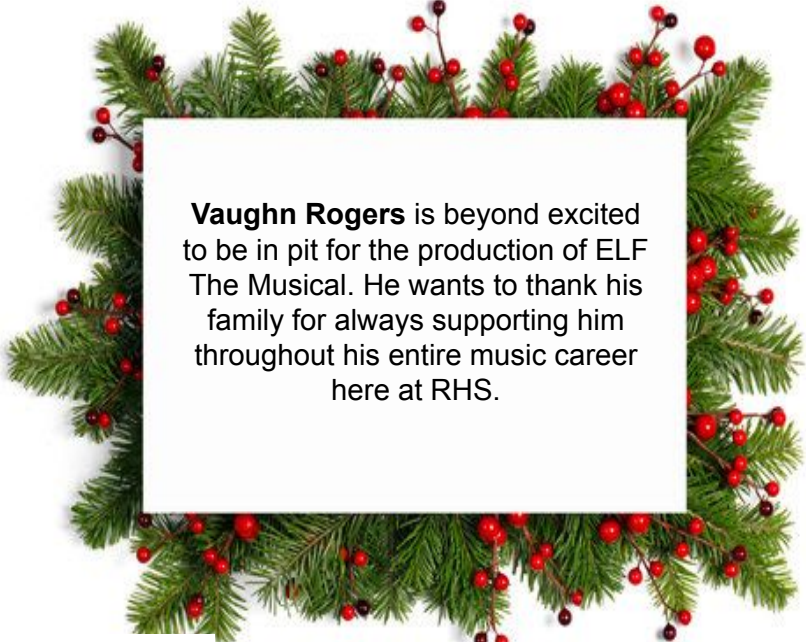
**Gabriella Miceli** would like to thank her family & friends for all their support. She would also like to thank Mr. Gollon, Mr. Miesch & Mr. Jaffe for all their help and dedication to the theater program. One of her favorite moments from a past show was during Shrek when her and a friend were tasked with sending a remote controlled rat across the stage.



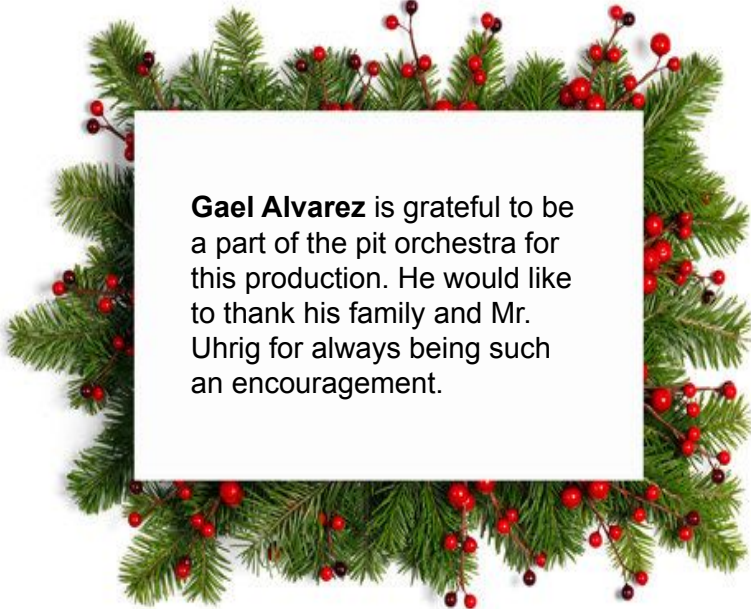




**Aedhan Roscoe** is excited to be participating in his fourth & final musical. You may have seen Aedhan working previously on Shrek, Once Upon a Mattress, & the various one acts throughout his years in high school. Aedhan would like to thank his family for all of their support throughout his time in theatre.



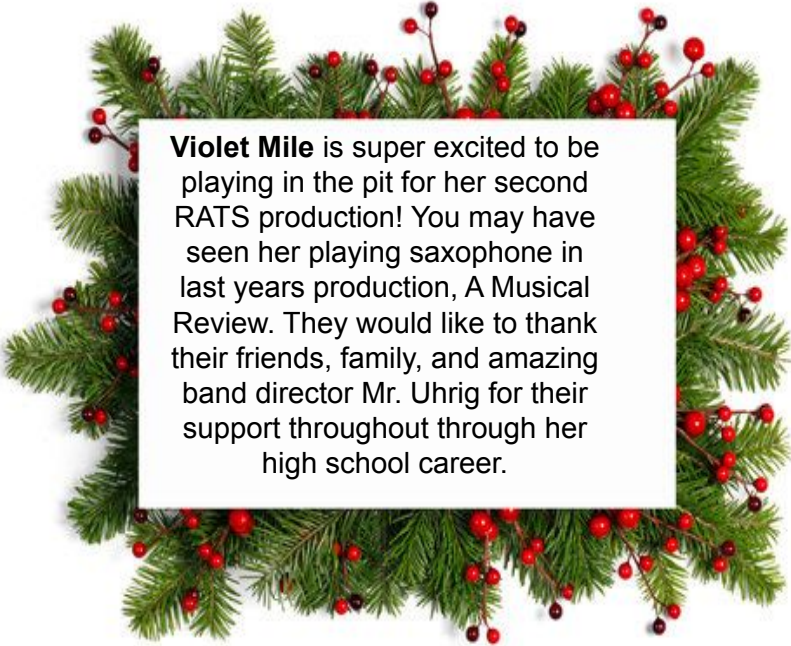
**Vaughn Rogers** is beyond excited to be in pit for the production of ELF The Musical. He wants to thank his family for always supporting him throughout his entire music career here at RHS.




**Gael Alvarez** is grateful to be a part of the pit orchestra for this production. He would like to thank his family and Mr. Uhrig for always being such an encouragement.



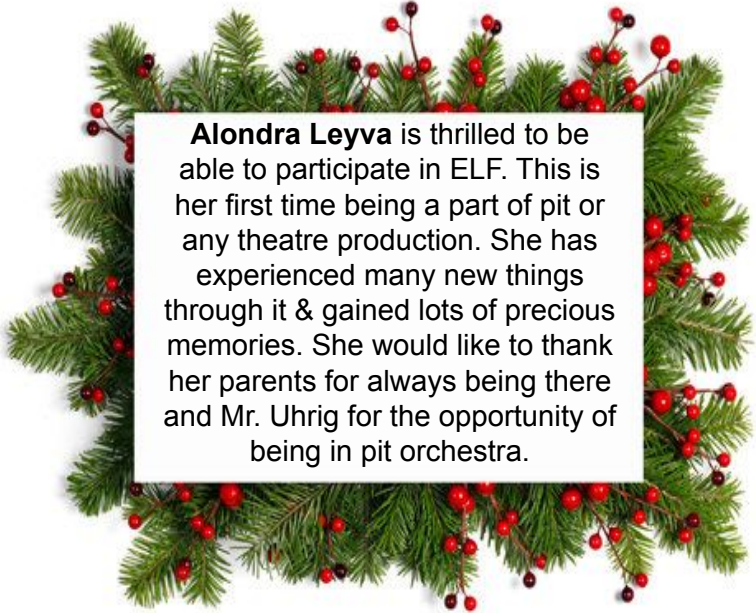




**Violet Mile** is super excited to be playing in the pit for her second RATS production! You may have seen her playing saxophone in last years production, A Musical Review. They would like to thank their friends, family, and amazing band director Mr. Uhrig for their support throughout through her high school career.




**Zach Tippin** is a happy little elf playing drums for this production. He got his first taste of the musical theatre lifestyle playing guitar in Shrek: The Musical and can't live without it! "I love Shrek. Heck, I love theatre - Zach Tippin 2019." Zach is glad that this production is happening and is thankful for each and every one of Santa's little helpers for putting it on. Merry Christmas!



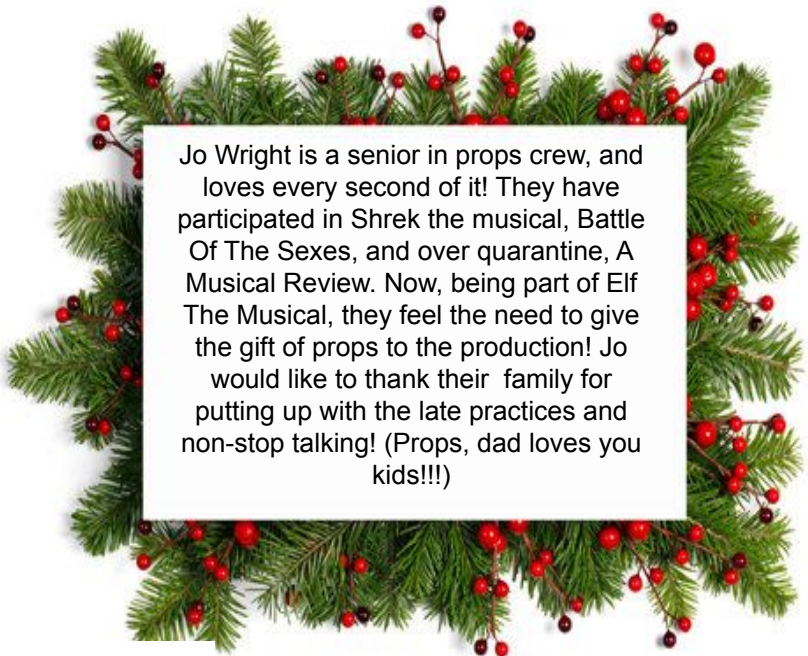
**Alondra Leyva** is thrilled to be able to participate in ELF. This is her first time being a part of pit or any theatre production. She has experienced many new things through it & gained lots of precious memories. She would like to thank her parents for always being there and Mr. Uhrig for the opportunity of being in pit orchestra.








**Owen Yoo** has now been involved in two RATS production after Shrek the Musical in 2019. If he isn't supplying Swedish Fish to the pit orchestra or playing rock paper scissors, or singing to "World's Greatest Dad", He is trying to find where the pit is on the music, playing down an octave, or completely missing a partial. He would like to thank Mr. Uhrig for putting up with him and would like to apologize to his parents for coming home super late at night.



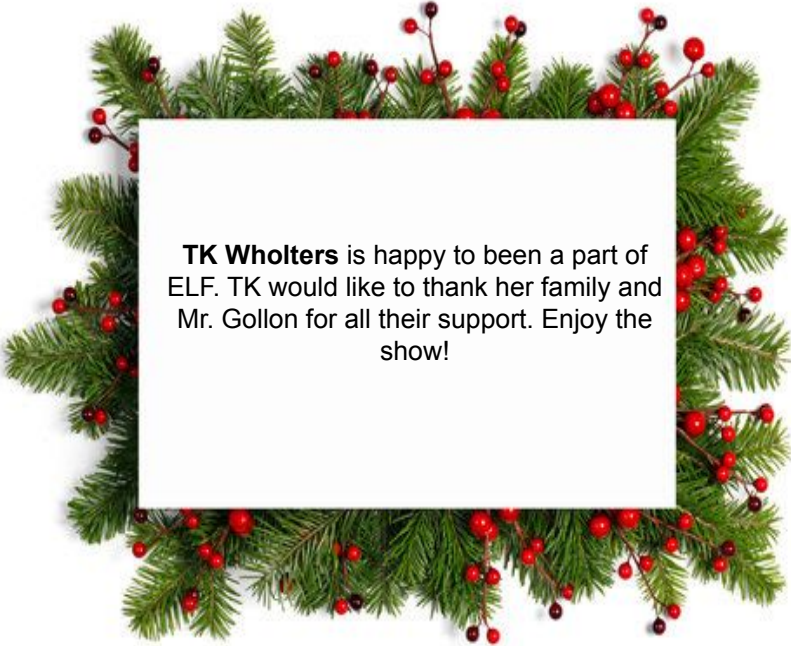
Jo Wright is a senior in props crew, and loves every second of it! They have participated in Shrek the musical, Battle Of The Sexes, and over quarantine, A Musical Review. Now, being part of Elf The Musical, they feel the need to give the gift of props to the production! Jo would like to thank their family for putting up with the late practices and non-stop talking! (Props, dad loves you kids!!!)




**Sophia Karteezha** is very happy to be in this production of Elf the musical. She would like to thank all her friends in both cast and crew for supporting her throughout Once Upon a Mattress and Shrek the Musical. And to thank her family for showing up en'mass to every single show.



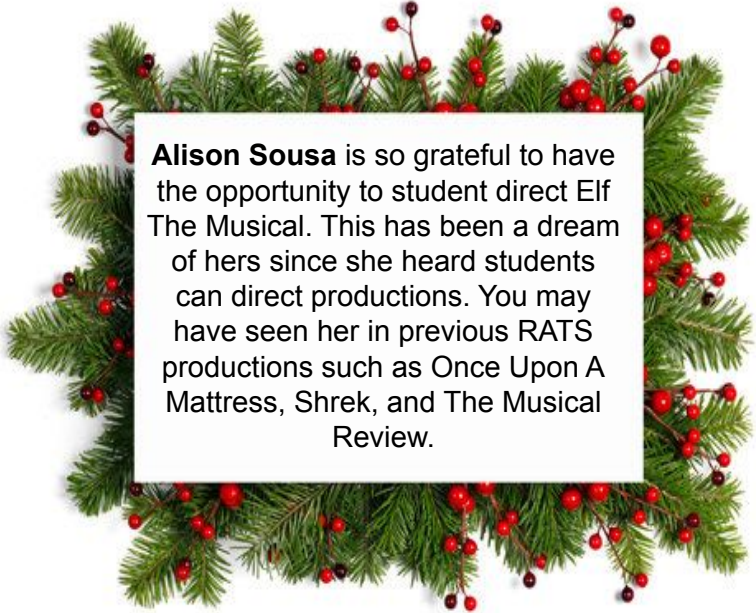




**TK Wholters** is happy to be a part of ELF. TK would like to thank her family and Mr. Gollon for all their support. Enjoy the show!



**Paige Misner** is grateful to have been a part of ELF. Paige is thankful for all the experiences in Rochester Theatre. Thanks to Mr. Gollon for all his hard work.



**Alison Sousa** is so grateful to have the opportunity to student direct Elf The Musical. This has been a dream of hers since she heard students can direct productions. You may have seen her in previous RATS productions such as Once Upon A Mattress, Shrek, and The Musical Review.





Adam,

We are your biggest fans and will always be cheering you on. We are so excited for this show and can't believe you are a senior. Remember, Francisco is a fun word to say...Francisco...Francisco.

We are forever proud of you!! Keep spreading your Christmas cheer for all to hear!

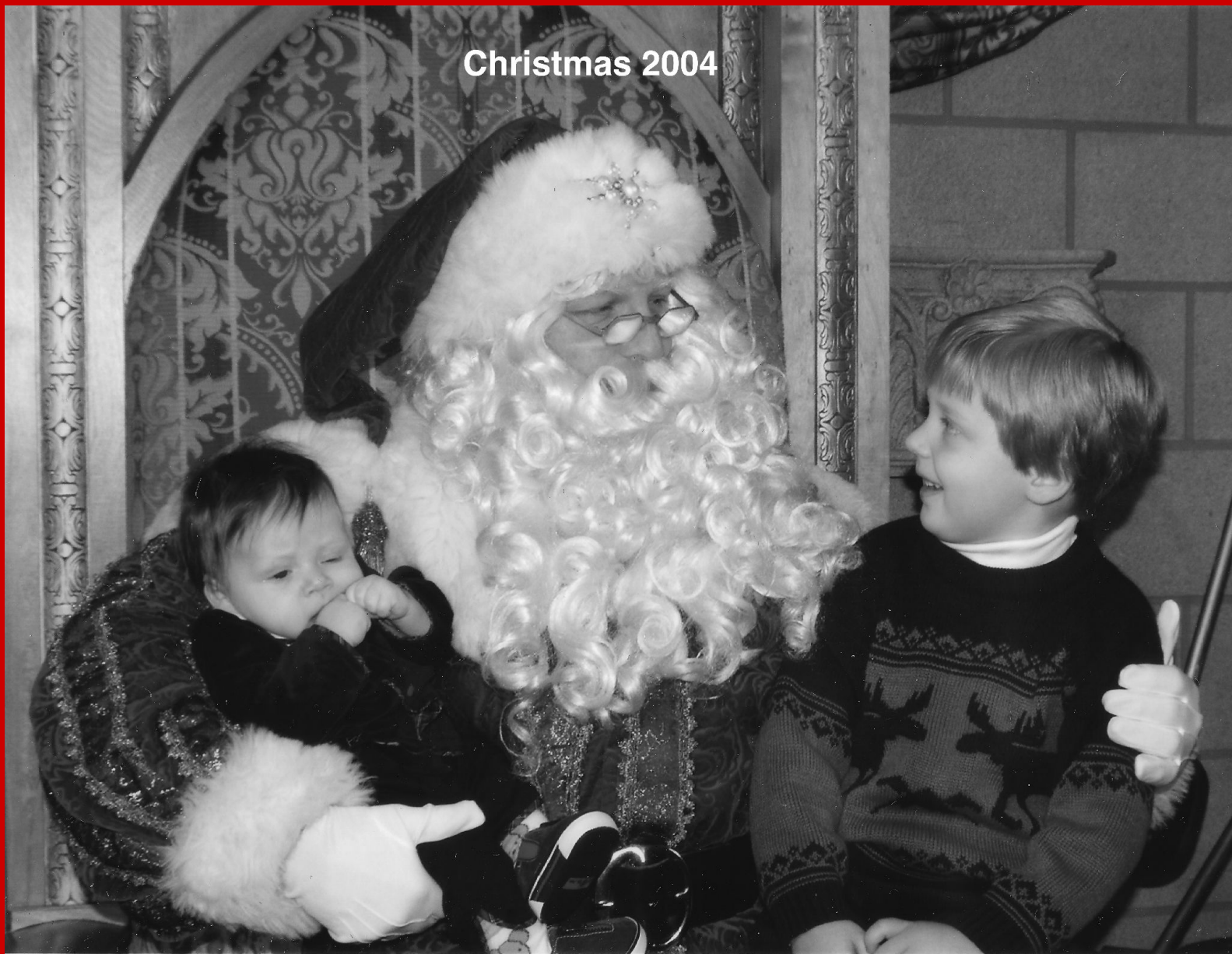
All Our Love, Mom, Dad and Emily





Liam,

You have been preparing for this role since the day you were born!  
Remember, just because somebody believes in Santa Claus, doesn't mean  
they're crazy.



We are so proud of you. Break a leg!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Donovan

# *Congratulations*

to all the band and orchestra students  
participating in Elf the Musical!

## **Pit Orchestra**

Alondra Leyva - Flute & Piccolo  
Giorgio Orecchia - Flute & Piccolo  
Becca Salmonson - Oboe & English Horn  
Breena Keller - Bassoon  
Hyejin Song - Clarinet  
Brooke McPherson - Clarinet  
Violet Mile - Clarinet & Bass Clarinet  
Jack Cavellier - Alto Sax  
Jack Ward - Tenor Sax  
Vaughn Rogers - Bari Sax  
Owen Yoo - Trumpet  
Alexis Dill - Trumpet  
Caleb Llewellyn - Trombone  
Marissa Moxley - Trombone  
Melissa Harris - Keyboard  
Jon Carrothers - Keyboard  
Zach Tippin - Drum Set  
Justin Lal - Percussion  
Gabriella da Silva - Violin  
Grace Kwon - Violin  
Caitlin Berry - Violin  
Gael Alvarez - Bass  
David A. Uhrig - Conductor

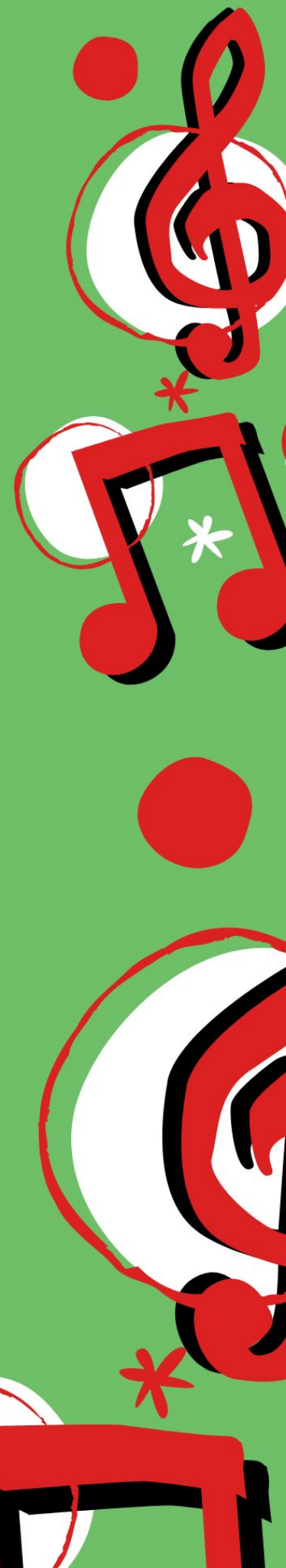
**From the  
Rochester Band &  
Orchestra Boosters**

## **Cast**

Yara Al-Dib  
Zach Cremen  
Sarah Gruber  
Skyler Janiszewski  
Laeth Kaakarni  
Cole Miller  
Adam Rivera  
Nick Snellgrove

## **Crew**

Lauryn Carr  
Brennan Cesarz  
Micaela Cremen  
Alex Gregorio  
John Leonardi  
Gabriella Miceli  
Fenrris Pearson  
Aedhan Roscoe  
Breandan Roscoe  
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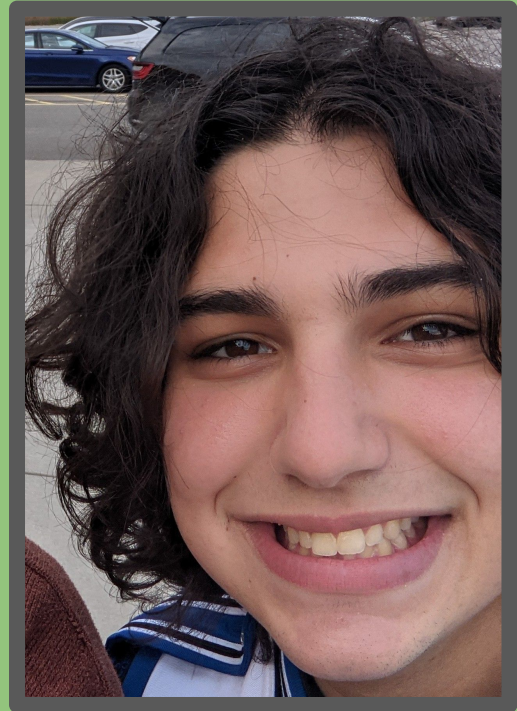




**Whatever the season, we will never stop  
believing in you!**

**We are so very proud of you!**

**All our love, Mama & Baba and the whole  
family, even the cat.**



**Alison,**

**Congratulations on your  
achievements in theater,  
especially student directing this  
years production of "Elf the  
Musical". You have worked so  
hard and you have a natural  
talent that will go along way in  
your future career.**

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