

STARKVILLE COMMUNITY THEATRE PRESENTS

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THE CAST

MAX BIALYSTOCK

Paul Ruff

LEO BLOOM

Darryl Brundidge, Jr.

ROGER DEBRIS

Jakob Vernon

ULLA

Helen Anne Horecky

FRANZ LIEBKIND

Shane Tubbs

CARMEN GHIA

Bradley Long

ENSEMBLE

John Cranford

Brendan Dobbs

Yasmine Griffin

David Hintz

Jasmine Johnson

Nece Looby

Gabbi Morelli

Mia Robertson

Darein C. Spann

Pat Wooden

There will be a 15-minute intermission between acts.

THE CREW

Director.....Gabe Smith
Assistant Director.....Regan Plunkett
Music Director.....Jordan Durham
Choreographer.....Jonette Shurden
Run Crew.....Jessica Jolly and Melanie Tubbs
Lighting Operator.....Lauren Trimm

Scenic Design.....Gabe Smith,
with Thomas La Foe, Paul Ruff, and Shane Tubbs
Graphics & Artwork.....Regan Plunkett
Costumes & Props.....Cast and Crew, with Chris Harper
Lighting Design.....Thomas La Foe
Sound Design & Operator.....Gabe Smith

Poster Design.....Regan Plunkett
Box Office.....Gabe Smith,
Cam McMillen, and Marsha Williams
Promotional Photography.....Dianna Janus
Opening Night Party.....Brian Hawkins

SET AND PROP CONSTRUCTION

Carly Barnett, John Cranford, Brendan Dobbs, Yasmine Griffin,
Helen Anne Horecky, David Hintz, Jessica Jolly, Thomas La Foe,
Bradley Long, Nece Looby, Jennifer MacGown, Joe MacGown,
Gabbi Morelli, Regan Plunkett, Talia Raine, Mia Robertson,
Paul Ruff, Darein Spann, Shane Tubbs, Jakob Vernon,
Derek Wooden, Pat Wooden

SPECIAL THANKS

Copy Cow, Chirpie Birdsall, Jason and Christin Sanders,
Andy and Kathy Shorter, Len and Jeanette Wooden

ABOUT THE CAST

Paul Ruff (Max Bialystock)

Paul has been involved with SCT for over thirty years and nearly 50 productions. He has served on the board and as president, and he even directed a show for us once. Paul is the owner/operator of Starkville Pediatric Clinic, where he has practiced for 24 years. He and his wife, Cindy, have three grown children and two spoiled pugs. He would like to dedicate this performance to the memory of his father, since this show was one of his favorites. And to Cindy, as always – “I love you, babe!”

Darryl Brundidge, Jr. (Leo Bloom)

Darryl is elated to return to SCT. He was recently seen as a featured singer and played a supporting role in “TEXAS” Outdoor Musical, as well as understudied a principal role in the Shakespearean play, “A Midsummer Night’s Dream”, at the Pioneer Amphitheatre in the Palo Duro Canyon. Darryl debuted with SCT earlier this year as Joshua in Kenneth Jones’ drama “Alabama Story”. Darryl has received the “Best Actor in a Musical” nomination from the Kennedy Center. He also recently performed at Carnegie Hall and worked as a featured actor with Netflix and Apple Entertainment. He is a student at Mississippi State University, double majoring in Music and Theatre.

Jakob Vernon (Roger DeBris)

Jakob is so excited for his first show at Starkville Community Theatre! Jakob is a Junior Vocal Performance Major at Mississippi State University. Some of his most recent theater credits include “Oklahoma!” (Ali Hakim) at Golden Triangle Theater in Columbus and “The Little Mermaid” (Pilot/feat. Dance Ensemble) at Panola Playhouse in Sardis where he's also gained his first Vocal Directing credit in “Finding Nemo Kids”!

ABOUT THE CAST

Helen Anne Horecky (Ulla)

Helen Anne is thrilled to be on the stage again at SCT! Her most recent roles include Catherine/Choreographer in Theatre MSU's production of "Pippin", Margo in "Bright Star" at SCT, and Cinderella in "Into the Woods" at SCT. Helen Anne is so excited to be moving to Chicago in a few short weeks to pursue her dreams of acting. She would like to thank her friends and family who have encouraged her to embark on this journey! @helenanneh

Shane Tubbs (Franz Liebkind)

Appearing once again with SCT, Shane is a veteran of the stage in nearby Columbus. Shane is an actor, musician and songwriter, skateboarder, gaming speed-runner, handyman, and a proud husband/dad. He's always been a character, and he has loved his time laughing and working with his castmates.

Bradley Long (Carmen Ghia)

Bradley is thrilled to be part of another SCT production. After playing a playing a sassy wolf ("Into the Woods") & opinionated parrot ("Little Women"), he is excited to tackle his most challenging role yet: a sassy, opinionated human. Bradley thanks his family & friends for their support, as well as Beyoncé & Cameron Tucker for the character inspiration.



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John Cranford (Ensemble—FDR and others)

John was a member of the men of state choir at Mississippi State University for 4 years. He grew up in a musical family and has always enjoyed singing. This is his first time performing in a musical.

Brendan Dobbs (Ensemble—Lead Stormtrooper and others)

Brendan is proud to perform with Starkville Community Theatre after he graduated from the University of Mobile in December 2023. Having been involved with theatrical productions since high school, he has appeared in performances such as Summer Scholars On-Stage from 2013 to 2017, “White Christmas”, “The Sound of Music”, and “The Pirates of Penzance”. He graduated from the University of Mobile with a minor in Theatre, having formerly been a major.

Yasmine Griffin (Ensemble—Shirley Markowitz and others)

Yasmine is a second year Clinical Psychology Ph.D student at Mississippi State University. This is Yasmine's first time participating in a Starkville Community Theatre production. She is extremely excited to participate in this production of "The Producers". She would like to thank her amazing friends for encouraging her in this process

David Hintz (Ensemble—Jason Green and others)

David is excited to be making his debut with Starkville Community Theatre! David is a Senior studying Theatre and Broadcasting at MSU and most recently worked as a Carpenter and Improviser for Creede Repertory Theatre in Creede, CO.

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Jasmine Johnson (Ensemble—Jury Foreperson and others)

Jasmine is privileged to make her debut on stage with SCT. After a 4 year hiatus, she is excited to join this wonderful and talented cast and crew.

ABOUT THE CAST

Inecia (Nece) Looby (Ensemble—Usherette and others)

I am one of the many fabulous Ensemble members of this performance. I have enjoyed this entire process with all my costars and I think we all can't wait for everyone to laugh along with us. This is my very first performance with the SCT and I cannot wait to do so many more. My special thanks goes to Mia Robertson and Christopher Harper who helped me outside of rehearsals and even after work to learn all my choreography. I couldn't have learned it all in time without their help!

Gabriella Morelli (Ensemble—Bag Lady and others)

Gabbi is excited to be performing in her first Starkville Community Theatre production as a member of the ensemble!

Mia Robertson (Ensemble—Ticket Taker and others)

Mia is ecstatic to be taking the stage for her first ever SCT show and is grateful to be working alongside this amazing cast and crew!



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Darein C. Spann (Ensemble—Mr. Marks and others)

Darein is so excited to be returning to the SCT stage for his second show having appeared as Dick in “9 to 5: The Musical” in 2022. Prior to that, he has acted in productions at Black Rose in Brandon, Brickstreet Players in Clinton, and Belhaven University in undergrad. Currently, serving as an administrator at Starkville High School. I want to thank Paula Mabry for her encouragement to stay active here in the theatre. This has indeed been a joy. Please enjoy the show as much as we’ve enjoyed preparing to entertain you. And LAUGH!!

Pat Wooden (Ensemble—Hold Me Touch Me and others)

Pat is thrilled to return to the stage after a decade off going to seek the great perhaps. Native of Virginia, this is her first show with SCT and her first year teaching and doing research at Mississippi State University. When not on stage, you can find Pat stitching something, explaining a cool bug to a complete stranger, or volunteering her husband's time and money for the latest project.



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