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PHIL COLLINS

Book by
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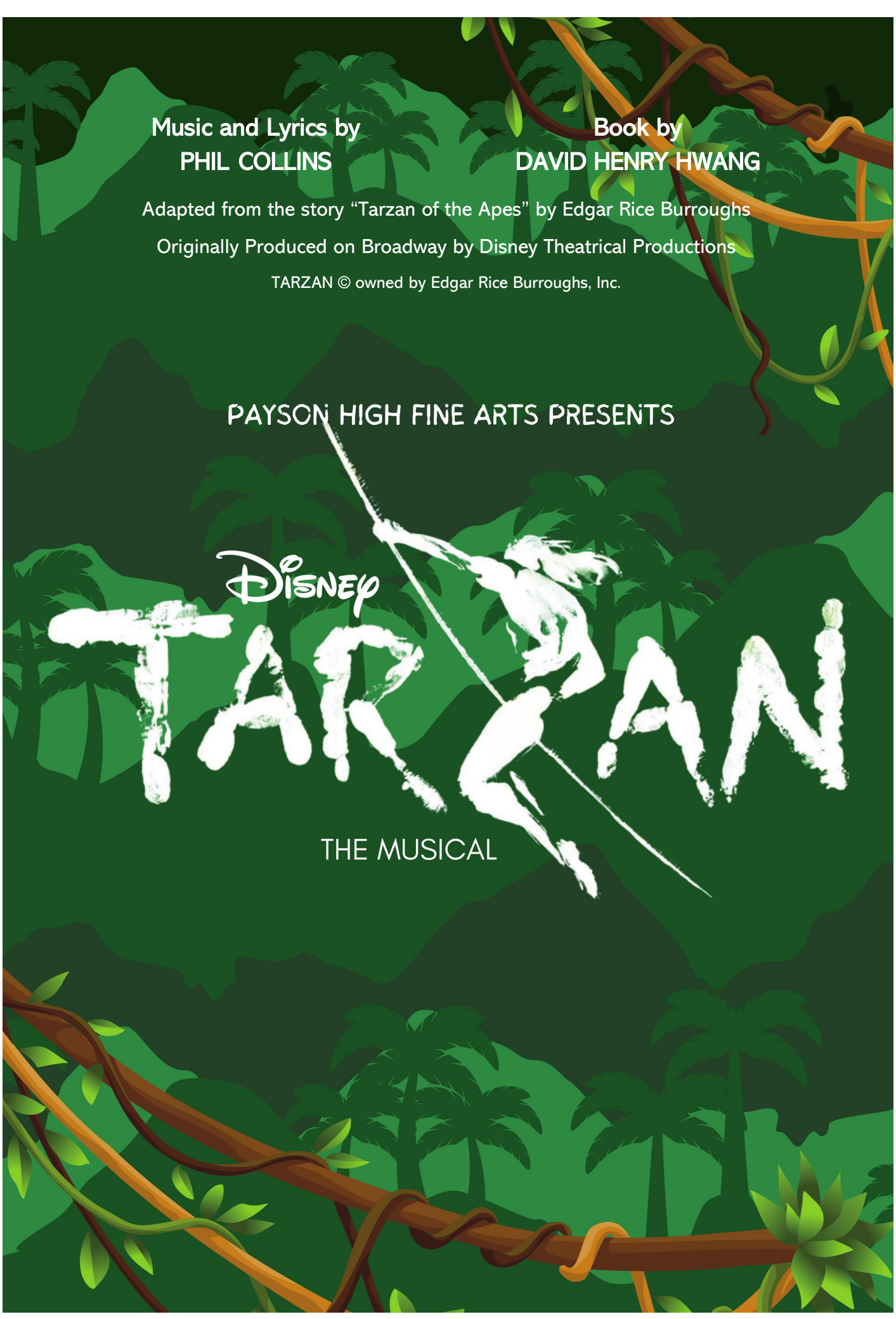

# DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Tarzan has been a wonderful experience for us.

From auditions through all of the rehearsal process, I'm amazed at how hard our talented students at Payson High School have worked- both off stage building sets, collecting props, setting lighting and sound, and onstage with our student actors.

We've had so much support and encouragement from our administration and the community.

My adult directors: Rachel Pipkin, Marilyn Morgan, Jamilah McMurdie, Craig Zeeman, and Rich Lindsay- THANK YOU!

To my cast and crew, "You'll be in MY heart." always! Thank you.

Rock White

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# TARZAN

**Act 1**

Two Worlds
*Tarzan, Mother, Father, Kala, Kerchak & Ensemble*

You'll Be In My Heart
*Kala & Ensemble*

Jungle Funk
*Ensemble*

Who Better Than Me?
*Young Tarzan & Terk*

No Other Way
*Kerchak*

I Need to Know
*Young Tarzan*

Son of Man
*Terk, Kala, Tarzan & Ensemble*

Son of Man (Reprise)
*Terk & Ensemble*

Sure As Sun Turns to Moon
*Kala & Kerchak*

Waiting for This Moment
*Jane & Ensemble*

Different (Part 1 & 2)
*Tarzan & Jane*

~ INTERMISSION ~

**Act 2**

Trashin' the Camp
*Terk & Ensemble*

Like No Man I've Ever Seen
*Jane & Professor Porter*

Strangers Like Me
*Tarzan, Jane & Ensemble*

For the First Time
*Jane & Tarzan*

Who Better Than Me? (Reprise)
*Terk & Tarzan*

Everything That I Am
*Tarzan, Kala, Young Tarzan & Ensemble*

You'll Be In My Heart (Reprise)
*Tarzan & Kala*

Sure As Sun Turns to Moon (Reprise)
*Kala & Tarzan*

Two Worlds (Finale)
*Tarzan, Jane & Ensemble*

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# CAST

Tarzan ..... Aydin Kuester
Jane ..... Rion Richins
Jane Understudy ..... Tanika Lavery
Kala ..... Mekhia White
Kala Understudy ..... Pheobe Farnsworth
Kerchak ..... AJ Rindlisbacher
Terk ..... Brinley Bettis
Young Tarzan ..... Mason McMurdie
Father ..... Adam Coates
Mother ..... Tori Ludlow
Leopard ..... Jewel (AJ) Huff
Porter ..... Aaron Rindlisbacher
Clayton ..... Adam Coates
Snipes ..... Tyler Kitchen, Azure Marrott, Emily Lauber
Creature ..... Hadlie Baxter

**APE ENSEMBLE**

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|---|---|
| Alanah Tate | Tyler Kitchen |
| Kayla Wright | Katie Coates |
| Bailee Jex | Morgan Lines |
| Hadlie Baxter | Adam Coates |
| Tori Ludlow | Pheobe Farnsworth |
| Tanika Lavery | Nathan Jiminez |
| Kaylie Kerr | Kaylie Durfee |
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| Jewel (AJ) Huff | |

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Lighting ..... Xane Harmon
Spot ..... Cody Barratt, Neeshia Simpson & Dallin Hoyer
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Program ..... Mayke Wood
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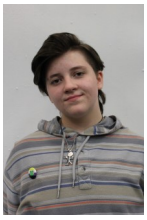
# BIOGRAPHIES

**LANEA ALLRED**
***Ape Ensemble***
LaNea is exited to be in *Tarzan*. She has performed in *Xanadu Jr.* and *Suessical The Musical Jr.* at Payson Junior High. (She/Her)

**HADLIE BAXTER**
***Creature, Ape Ensemble***
Hadlie is so excited to be a part of *Tarzan* this year! She has looked forward to it the most because her favorite Disney movie just happens to be Tarzan! Her niece loves the movie just as much and she's gonna love to the see all the animals portrayed on stage. Hadlie hopes you enjoy the show and all the hard work and long hours that's been put into it!

**BRINLEY BETTIS**
***Terk***
Brinley is a senior this year and currently serves as the PHS Theatre Council President! She has also run the program's publicity and design for the past two years. You may have recently seen her in Payson High School's production of *The Lion King Jr* as *Pumbaa*. But one of her favorite roles has been *Robin Hawksley* in Payson High's *Laughing Stock* for which she won a Best Actor award. Brinley is thrilled to be apart of this magical program for one last year and would like to thank her family for continuing to house her despite the seemingly constant singing. (She/Her)



**HADLEY (HAVEN) BETTIS**
***Ape Ensemble***
Haven is a sophomore this year and is so excited to be a part of theatre! Their favorite role has been *Ed* in *The Lion King Jr.* Haven loves to perform and they can't wait to share this amazing experience with you! (He/They)

**ADAM COATES**
***Father, Clayton***
Adam is in his senior year. The only plays he has been in so far are *The Little Mermaid Jr*, in which he played *Sebastian*, and The Lion King Jr, as Zazu, though he has a love for theatre. He loves singing, acting, and especially improv. He is a giant nerd and has come to terms with that, so he can be himself and just be the big loud theatre kid that he is!

**KATIE COATES**
***Ape Ensemble***
Katie is a freshman at Payson Jr High. She loves to act and hang out with friends and family. Katie is excited to be with her older brother Adam Coates in the show! She loves pretending to be an ape and dance around on stage. Katie hopes you enjoy the show. (She/Her)

**KAYLIE DURFEE**
***Ape Ensemble***
Kaylie is a sophomore at Payson High this year. She has always had a love for anything Disney, so she is super excited to be a part of *Tarzan*. Kaylie loves singing and has been a part of various school and church choirs since she was 7. She would like to thank you for your support and hopes you enjoy the show!

**PHEOBE FARNSWORTH**
***Kala Understudy, Ape Ensemble***
Pheobe has been looking forward to being in a Payson High musical for years. She has always loved to sing, dance and act. Her past roles and experience include: *Cruella de Vil (2022).* She is looking forward to make friends and be a part of an amazing musical! (She/Her)

**ADRIANN (JEWEL) HUFF**
***Leopard, Ape Ensemble***
AJ is a senior this year and she loves acting and dancing. This year she has been able to be a part of Theatre Ambassadors, orchestra, and Dance Company. She is always finding a way to stay busy! She was apart of PHS's production of *Lion King Jr* where she played a *Lioness* & a *Hyena*! She hopes you enjoy our production of Tarzan! (She/Her)

**BAILEE JEX**
***Ape Ensemble***
Bailee is so excited to have the chance to perform in this program for the first time. She is a freshman in high school and is so grateful to be a part of the team. She is thankful for her family and friends that have supported her. She loves to sing and act. She is looking forward to sharing *Tarzan the Musical* with the Payson community.

**NATHAN JIMENEZ**
***Ape Ensemble***
Nathan is a junior here at PHS. Nathan loves to dance! Nathan has been performing, both singing and dancing, since he was five years old. Nathan and his family are passionate about the performing arts, especially in performances that celebrate their family heritage! (He/Him)

**KAYLIE KERR**
***Ape Ensemble***
Kaylie is an 8th grader at PJHS, and excited about performing with the high school musical this fall! She played *Ariel's Daughter* in *Descendants*. She loves to act and is very dramatic! She has enjoyed being part of *Tarzan*. (She/Her)

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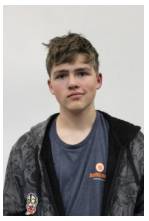
**KELSIE KERR**
***Ape Ensemble***
Kelsie has had a blast performing in *Tarzan*, especially being able to be in a show with her sister, Kaylie. Kelsie is a junior here at PHS. (She/Her)



**TYLER KITCHEN**
***Snipes, Ape Ensemble***
Tyler is in his sophomore year at PHS. His first role was *Flounder* in *The Little Mermaid Jr*, and since then he's played *The Hare* in *Tortoise and the Hare*, a *Servant* in *Frozen Jr*, and a *Centaur* in *Xanadu*. Tyler is grateful his dad has been there for him throughout his theatre experience. (He/Him)

**AYDIN KUESTER**
***Tarzan***
Aydin has been coming to watch Payson High School productions since he was a kid, and is now super excited to participate in a show himself! He is very passionate about singing and acting, and is always looking to improve his skills. Some of his favorite past roles include: *The Prince* in *Cinderella*, *Tin Man* in *Wizard Of Oz*, *Huck Finn* in *A Night On Broadway*, and *Sonny* in *Xanadu*. Aydin has fallen in love with this show and its cast as well! He would like to thank everyone for coming to support him and hopes you enjoy the show! (He/Him)

**EMILY LAUBER**
***Snipes, Ape Ensemble***
Emily is a junior her at Payson High School. She is excited to share this production with you. She has always loved to sing and act. Some past shows Emily has been in include *The Little Mermaid Jr*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Laughing Stock*, *Legally Blonde Jr*, and *The Lion King Jr*. Emily would like to thank her family for always being supportive! (She/Her)

**TANIKA LAVERY**
***Understudy Jane, Ape Ensemble***
Tanna is enjoying her junior year! She has always loved to sing and act. Past roles include *Mary/Mina* in *Laughing Stock*, ensemble in *Wizard of Oz*, and *Tamatoa's Left Claw* in *Moana Jr*. She is looking forward to sharing the Tarzan with everyone. Thank you to her family for always supporting her! (She/Her)

**MORGAN LINES**
***Ape Ensemble***
Morgan has a passion for singing and acting and is so excited to be part of this play. She has acted in *The Christmas Carol* as the *Ghost of Christmas Past* and in *The Butterfly Effect* as a *Scientist*. She auditioned for *Honk Jr* and was casted as *Pink Foot*. She is so excited to be part of *Tarzan* and share it with everyone! (She/Her)

**TORI LUDLOW**
***Mother, Ape Ensemble***
Tori is a senior this year and she is so excited to share this show with you! She has been doing theatre with PHS for about five years, and she is ready to finish up her High School theatre experience with a bang! Some of Tori's favorite roles have been *Timon* in *Lion King Jr*, *Specs* in *Newsies*, *Scarecrow* in *The Wizard of Oz*, and *Enid Hoops* in *Legally Blonde Jr*. She loves all aspects of theatre, Student Directing, Hair & Makeup, and Costuming. This year Tori has become the Head Costumer, so she hopes you love all parts of the show, acting or otherwise. (She/Her)

**AZURE MARROTT**
***Snipes, Ape Ensemble***
Azure is super excited for their busy, yet fun, sophomore year. They worked on a couple productions written by a family friend before 7th grade rolled around and they joined the theater program. From *Ms. Gulch* in *The Wizard of Oz Jr*. to *Jojo* in *Seussical Jr*., they've been able to showcase their many talents in a variety of ways. Thank you to everyone who comes out to support their dream! (They/Him)

**MASON MCMURDIE**
***Young Tarzan***
Mason is a Fifth Grader at Spring Lake Elementary and is super excited to follow in his sister's footsteps and be a part of the PHS Theatre Department. Mason has spent the last five years becoming a black belt in TaeKwonDo and is brand-new to the theatre scene, but is so excited to be here! (He/Him)

**RION RICHINS**
***Jane***
Rion is so excited for all the fun things to come this year! Past performances include *Pillar* in *Legally Blonde*, *Kira* in *Xanadu*, *Chef Louis* in *The Little Mermaid* Jr and *Ti Moune* in *Once on This Island*. Thank you to Family and Friends! Special shout outs to her Mom, Angela Navratil, and her boyfriend, Jack Mecham. (She/Her)

**AARON RINDLISBACHER**
***Porter***
Aaron is so exited for his Sophomore Year! He loves to act and dance, Past roles have included *Scuttle* in *The Little Mermaid*, *Yellowbeard* in *Pirates the Musical*, and an *Oni Monster* in *Momotaro*. He loves reading, drawing, and sharing the joy of stories with others. He is excited to perform with his twin brother, and owes his whole career to his family, who has supported him constantly! Enjoy the Show! Allons-y! (He/Him)

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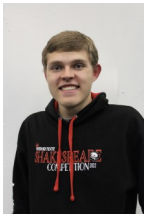

**AJ RINDLISBACHER**
***Kerchak***
AJ is a Sophomore this year and LOVES theatre! His favorite role that he has played is the *Cat in the Hat* from *Seussical*. AJ has had quite a run in theatre, starting at a young age in elementary school. He is a nerd who drops obscure references wherever he goes. Murder mysteries interest AJ greatly, and he is thrilled with the plots of Disney Villains. He recently played *Scar* in *The Lion King Jr*. AJ wouldn't have gotten far without help from his mentors, like his teachers, friends, and directors. (He/Him)

**ALANAH TATE**
***Ape Ensemble***
Alanah is a sophomore at Payson High School. She has played parts in various plays including *Gertrude* in *Suessical the Musical*, *Lucille* in *Once Upon a Mattress*, and *Violet* in *Willy Wonka Kids*. She is extremely excited for this season's plays. (She/Her)

**MARA TAYLOR**
***Ape Ensemble***
Mara is a sophomore here at PHS. She's been seen in *Aladdin Jr.*, *Seussical Jr.,* and PCT's summer production of *Matilda*. (She/Her)

**MEKHIA WHITE**
***Kala***
Mekhia is so excited for her sophomore year! She has loved theatre ever since she was little. She is grateful for all the amazing friendships she's made because of theatre! Some of Mekhia's favorite shows she has been in include *Les Misérables*, *Xanadu Jr*, *Seussical Jr*, *The Lion King Jr*, and many more! Mekhia can't wait for the rest of our show season! (She/Her)

**RYAN WORTHINGTON**
***Stage Manager***
Ryan is a junior at Payson High School. He has done Tech for a lot of shows including *The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood*, *Wagon Wheels A Rollin'*, *Freaky Friday*, *Moana*, *Wizard of Oz*, *Laughing Stock*, and *Legally Blonde*. This year he is the Technical Director of the Drama Lions Theatre Council and is excited for the upcoming season and making the shows as magical as possible. (He/Him)

**KAYLA WRIGHT**
***Ape Ensemble***
Kayla is a sophomore this year and is super excited for the upcoming plays! She has always loved doing theatre and sports. This year is her first year ever taking a drama class and she's so excited!! Past roles include: *Chef/Sea Creatures* in *Little Mermaid Jr*, Ensemble in *Xanadu, Bird Girl* in *Suessical*, and a *Lioness* in *The Lion King Jr*. She's having a great time doing *Tarzan* with everyone. (She/Her)

Connor O'Brien,
Neeshia Simpson,
Ryan Worthington,
Mika Preuss, Xane Harmon,
Chas Pipkin, Alex Risenmay
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"If I could give you 3 things Banana, it would be the confidence to ALWAYS know your worth, the courage to follow your dreams and the ability to know how truly, deeply loved you are. ~Nana"

"I saw Tanna wearing Mom jeans & Doc Martens so I bought Mom jeans & Doc Martens. 'You've got the making of greatness but you've gotta take the helm & chart your own course, stick to it, no matter the squalls' (Treasure Planet). 'You control your destiny, you don't need magic to do it'(Brave). I'm so proud of the person you are today & excited to watch you soar. Love, Shay"

"Tanna, You've taught me one of the greatest wisdoms of life... 'Just because you drink smart water doesn't make you smart' Love you & proud of you! ~ Cheri"

**We're so proud of you Mekhia Rose!**
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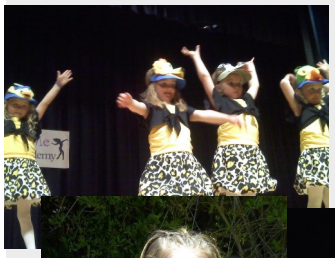

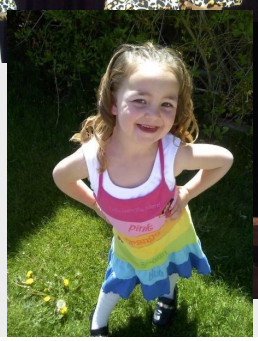

**Hey Tyler!**
**You are NOT a guppy!!**

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**Mom and Dad**

# UPCOMING SHOWS

**Elf the Musical Jr**
*December 9-12, 2022*

**Clue**
*February 17-27, 2023*

**The Insanity of Mary Girard**
One-Act Competition Piece
*March 2023*

**Showdown at Gamblers Gulch**
*April 28 - May 6, 2023*

**Beauty and the Beast**
*May 1-15, 2023*