## HPC PLAYBILL SINCE 1979

Hinman Production Company Proudly Presents:

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Directed by: Julianna Holmes Assistant Directed by: Keaton Hemminger Stage Managed by: Mariana Schultz Enge

November 3-5 at 8pm and 2pm on Saturday



The Hinman Commons

\$8 for non

students



## **Director's Note**

Hello everyone!

My name is Julianna Holmes and I have had the absolute pleasure of directing The Importance Of Being Earnest this semester! Coming into HPC as a first-semester freshman, I was simply looking to make some friends. Never in my wildest dreams did I think I would I get an opportunity like this. To be trusted in a leadership position with a team of talented individuals, is a gift.

To my amazing cast, who trusted me with their talent, thank you. To work with actors that completely commit to their craft is all I could ever ask for. I hope that you forgive me for the crazy exercises I made you do! From character sheets, to improv games, to Zach's enthusiastic song, I hope you see the methods behind my madness now! It's crazy to see all of your individual growths and this show could not exist without each one of you.

To my incredible production staff, Keaton and Mariana, you two are the backbone of this show. Thank you for the countless hours you've spent making my vision come to life and the countless more hours you've spent assuring me that it will all pay off. You two have so much talent and perseverance and I know that will serve you for years to come.

To the executive board of HPC, thank you for your commitment to this club. You all lead with grace and kindness that I aspire to replicate. Anytime I panicked or had questions, I was instantly directed to someone who could help. The support I received through this process allowed me to reach my full potential and I hope you all understand how thankful I am. Especially, to my mentor Alessandra, thank you thank you thank you.

To the members of HPC, our beloved audience members, friends and family, and everyone that made this show possible,

I hope you enjoy the labor of love that is this show. The amount of friendships and memories I've made, along with the skills I have learned, will continue to carry me through the rest of my college career. This was in fact the highlight of my semester.

Xoxo, Julianna Holmes

### **The Importance of Being Earnest**

Written by Oscar Wilde Directed by Julianna Holmes Assistant Directed by Keaton Hemminger

#### Cast

John Worthing	Zach Carpenter
Algernon Moncrieff	Ryan Killenbeck
Rev. Canon Chasuble	Zeke Merlis
Merriman	Sasha Gozan
Lane	Charlie Strecker
Lady Bracknell	Katherine Quinn
Gwendolen Fairfax	-
Cecily Cardew	Zoe Steinberg
Miss Prism	Hodaya Katz
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#### **Creative Team**

Stage Manager	Mariana Schultz Enge
Scenic Designer	
Light Technician	Julia Tsybysheva
Sound Technician	
Costume Designer	Blessin MacFarland
Costume Assistant	
Costume Assistant	Rachel Doyle
Run Crew	Anne Muha
Run Crew	Jack Harkins

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#### ACT ONE

#### ACT TWO

#### **INTERMISSION**

#### **ACT THREE**

#### A Special Thanks To:

Florence Pugh Alli Sanel Ariel Thomke and The Binghamton University Costume Department Julia Tsybysheva and Jack Harkins Alessandra Antonacci Einsteins And HPC's executive board

## Biographies

**Zach Carpenter:** Zach is incredibly excited to be making his HPC debut this semester! Currently pursuing a master's degree in Engineering, his cast members love to remind him that he is, in fact, old now. However, he'd prefer to look at it through the lens of "Hey, better late than never!". You may have seen him in one of the A Cappella concerts here on campus as a member of Binghamton's Note to Self, and now he is so excited to be bringing acting back into his life. He would like to give a special shout out to Pops the monkey, and a special thanks to everyone in the cast and crew for making this production so fun to be a part of!

**Rachel Doyle:** Rachel Doyle is a neuroscience major. She costumed for the show. Rachel has no idea what is going on and struggles with basic tasks. She knows that being Earnest is important and that it takes 6 people to properly thread 1 sewing machine. Rachel pricked herself with a needle enough times to worsen her iron deficiency. Rachel is developing nerve pain in her hands. Rachel is talented at spilling coffee and unpinning curtains. She is the curtain supreme.

**Samantha Goldman:** Samantha Goldman is a Junior so she's excited to play someone outside her typecast of children and old men. When you see her please don't break the illusion she's under and just tell her, "Yeah, we liked the accent." She would like to thank the entire cast and crew for all their hard work and for making rehearsal so fun!

**Sasha Gozan:** Sasha has had so much fun getting to know HPC this semester! She would like to thank the cast and crew for all their hard work and for making her laugh every day at rehearsal. Enjoy the show!

**Jack Harkins:** Jack Harkins has been given a shirt! Julianna has presented Jack Harkins with clothes! Jack Harkins is a free elf!

**Keaton Hemminger:** Keaton Hemminger is a junior Theatre major with a double minor in Cinema and Education and is thrilled to be a part of this production. She has loved every minute of watching this cast in rehearsals and cannot wait for you all to see. She is incredibly proud of this cast and crew for putting together such a brilliant show. Lastly, Keaton would like to thank Julianna and Florence Pugh, "Miss Flo", for keeping her sane throughout it all.

## **Biographies**

**Julianna Holmes:** Julianna is ecstatic to be directing her first HPC show! See the directors note for more! ;)

**Hodaya Katz:** Hodaya is a Freshman studying Psychology. This is Hodaya's first show and she is thrilled to have been apart of such an amazing and talented cast and crew. The directors have done a wonderful job bringing the show together. She'd like to thank everyone involved for being so welcoming. They've really made this experience so fun, memorable, and worthwhile. Hodaya thanks you for coming and hopes you enjoy the show!

**Ryan Killenbeck:** Coming right off his successful HPC debut in BNL 12 Ryan Killenbeck cannot wait to play his most punchable role yet. He is very excited to present the British accent you've ever heard in your entire life. When he is not acting he can be found frantically overbooking himself before complaining about having too much to do.

Alison Kryger: hi, I'm Alison, I'm doing the sound.

**Blessin MacFarland:** Hello everyone! I'm Blessin, and I was one of the costumers for this production :) This was my first time working with HPC and my first time ever costuming a proper show so I hope you all enjoy the outfits and the play! I'm so grateful to have been given the opportunity and I hope to work with my amazing team again.

**Zeke Merlis:** Barring a role as an extra in a cut scene from Amazon's Mozart in the Jungle, Zeke Merlis has not acted since he was ten. He read The Importance of Being Earnest while trapped at his partner's house last May when his entire family had COVID and was very excited to learn that HPC was to perform it. He would like to thank his castmates and the crew for making the experience so enjoyable.

Anne Muha: Anne is excited to be working with HPC in run crew!

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**Katherine Quinn:** Studying abroad sure came in handy! Katherine prepared for this role by spending last Summer in London and by playing a \*difficult\* woman in every BNL.

She would like to thank Julianna, Keaton, and Marianna for all their hard work on this show, and the amazing cast and crew that she is so honored to share a stage with!

**Mariana Schultz Enge:** Mariana Schultz Enge is a freshman with little to no theater experience. This has been her first time stage managing, and she tried her best (ergo she carefully labeled the prop tables and sometimes told people what to do without much confidence)! This experience has helped her figure out that she likes the suffering of technical theater enough to pursue a major in it. She's so very proud of the cast and crew and hopes you enjoy the show!

**Skylar Sharpe:** Skyler Sharpe(they/she) is a sophomore who is still not sure why they are here, but they sure did help on those costumes! However, they are proud to announce that this is the first bio they have ever written that they actually have a major for. Now for the grand announcement, its anthropology! Now that that's over with they want to thank the cast for being so beautiful, and thank her bed for letting her take a nap. Good night!

**Zoe Steinberg:** Zoe Steinberg is so excited to perform in her first HPC play! She wants to thank the cast and crew for putting together such an amazing show and can't wait for next semester to do it all again. Here's to many more Anne Brady warm ups, non-existent waltz scenes, and being alive-awake-alert-enthusiastic.

**Charlie Strecker:** Charlie Strecker is a junior studying music and psychology. This is his first foray back into acting after retiring from musical theater his senior year of high school. It is his first semester with HPC, and he's very excited to be a part of "The Importance of Being Earnest", a play that he is quite fond of. He hopes everyone enjoys the show!

Julia Tsybysheva: Julia Tsybysheva is doing lights (again)

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